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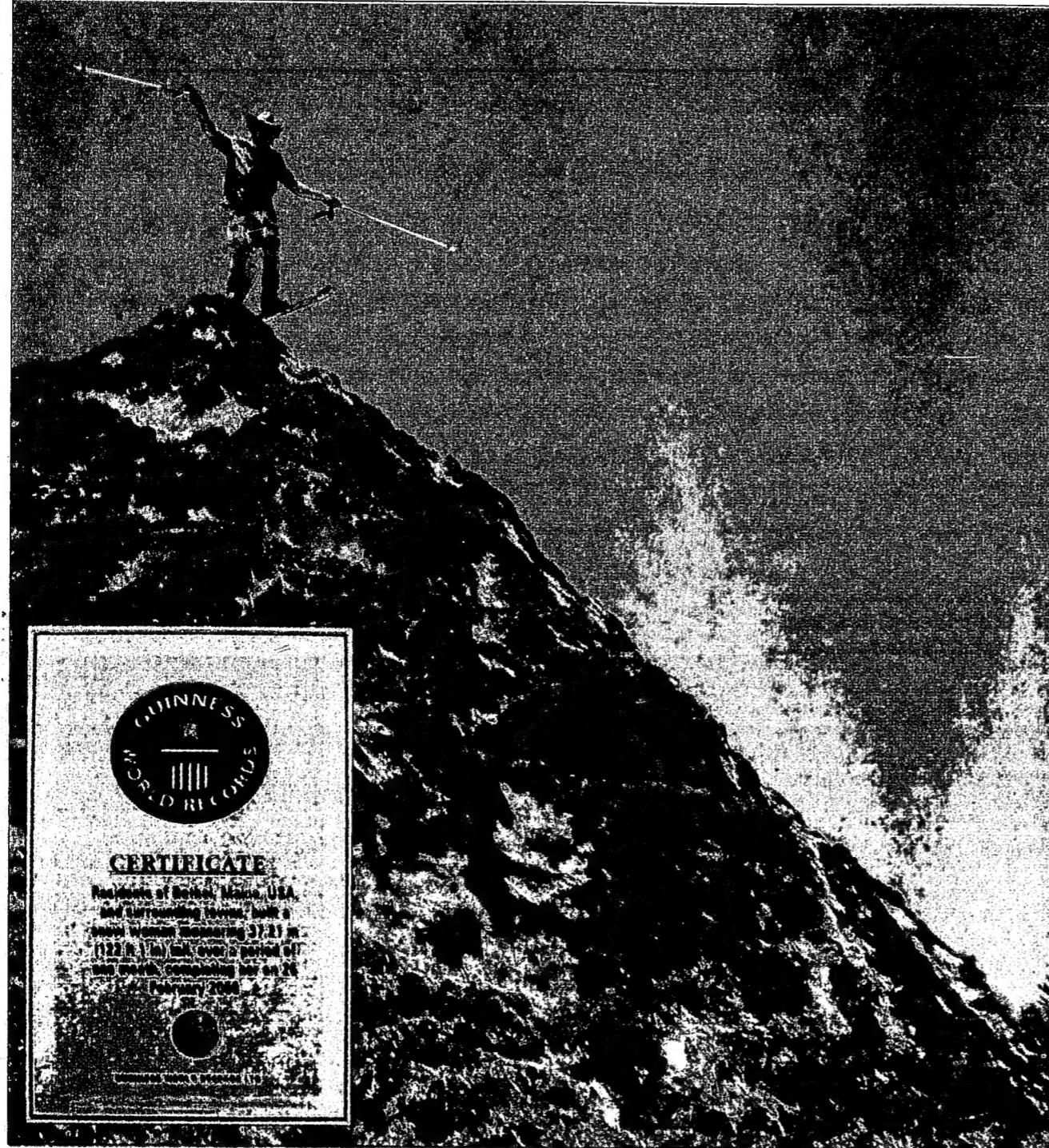
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Because (for now) she's there



And, said John St. Hilaire — when asked why he decided last week to climb and then ski down the remains of Olympia the Snowwoman — "Because it's time." Time in this case happened to be Friday the 13th, which by chance turned out to be a lucky day for the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber received formal word Friday that Olympia, now only a stump of her former self, had been certified by the Guinness Book of World Records as The World's Tallest Snowwoman.

(Photo: M. Daniels
Inset: BACC)

Bethel Annual Town Meeting

Voters willing to spend for a new ambulance, familiar waste service

By ALISON ALOISIO

Near the end of last Wednesday's Bethel Town Meeting, residents debated a motion to add \$125,000 to the budget for a new ambulance to replace Bethel Rescue's 1994 model.

As the discussion drew to a close, EMT Mike Bennett took the floor. "It's 15 years old," he said. "It has no airbag. I don't want to drive in it. But I've got no choice if the other one is down."

"People who do this every day do not deserve to know they take their life in their hands because that thing does not have an airbag," Bennett said. "Arlene Greenleaf would not be here today if the ambulance she was driving didn't have an airbag in it."

Moments later, the voters who had stayed for the duration (3.5 hours) easily passed the motion.

Rebel softball team falls in Western Championship

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The Telstar Rebels concluded another standout season Tuesday evening, under the lights at St. Joseph's College in Standish.

The 14-3 Rebels, unable to solve the Georges Valley pitcher, fell 3-0 in the Western Maine Class C championship.

The game marked the Rebels' fourth appearance in as many

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Look at the average age in this room.

I mean, heart attacks are coming.'

DAVE HART

approved municipal budget at \$3.15 million, not including school and county assessments.

The mill rate is now projected at ten dollars per thousand dollars of assessed valuation,

Town Manager Scott Cole said.

Had the municipal budget been approved as recommended by selectmen, the rate would have been 9.67 mills.

Most of the discussion among the 120 voters who turned out for the annual meeting focused on Bethel Rescue, the Police Department and trash disposal.

Ambulance

Although the prospects for the ambulance service looked dim for a time, the night turned out to be a good one.

The motion to add \$125,000 for a new ambulance came from Bethel Rescue Director Cheryl Bennett.

Bennett described how the service has typically been on a schedule to replace one of its two ambulances every five

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Town officials following up

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The Tri-Town Transfer Station Committee was scheduled to meet this morning (Thursday) "to see where we go from here," said Bethel Town Manager Scott Cole.

The meeting follows the decision last week by Bethel voters not to require the town to go with the lowest bidder for solid waste disposal.

"It may be a few weeks, perhaps a month, before we actually sign contracts," Cole said.

But one thing is certain, he said: "We want our \$82 a ton. We're going to cash that in. That translates to \$3,000 a month [in savings] for the three towns."

That figure represents the fourth and final of Pine Tree Waste's bids for disposing of waste from the shared transfer station and curbside locations.

Bethel selectmen are also

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Two Andover selectmen resign

By ALISON ALOISIO

A special Town Meeting is scheduled in Andover July 17 to elect two new selectmen. They will replace chairman Jeff Rainey and Hope Peterson, both of whom announced Tuesday they are resigning.

Rainey resigned shortly after the start of Tuesday's regular board meeting.

"It saddens me greatly to make this announcement tonight," he read in a prepared statement. "Through the past year, this office has come under great scrutiny by a select few individuals to the point that it's now affecting my family."

"I have great respect for the people who work for this town. They're some of the finest people I've worked with and I wish them well. However, I suspect that their turn will surely come."

"When I decided to run for selectman, it was to give back to a community that I love dearly, not to be harassed, called names, and have derogatory and threatening messages left on my message service at home and to have every last move I make microanalyzed."

"I do not like the direction that the town of Andover is moving in. Our nice, small

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Ski Mt. Abram has a new family of owners

By MICHAEL DANIELS

For the fourth time in less than 15 years, Mt. Abram ski area has new owners, but this time there is a new wrinkle — they are not here because a bank foreclosed on the previous owners.

The new owners are Matt Hancock of Casco and Rob Lally of Boston.

The pair purchased Mt. Abram from Josh and Susan Burns, who bought the resort in 2000, following a foreclosure.

Hancock and Lally are both

real-estate developers, and they own vacation homes across the road from each other in Bear Lane, part of a residential development abutting the mountain.

The two plan to split management roles, with Hancock handling ski operations and Lally in charge of real estate and development.

Hancock said the partners plan no changes in the essential "family" character of the resort.

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Resort has changed hands several times

By MICHAEL DANIELS

The resort now known as Ski Mt. Abram was opened by the local Cross family in 1960, according to Greenwood historian Blaine Mills, on a parcel of land family members had purchased in 1947 as a woodlot.

In 1988 the owners took out a \$1 million loan from the federal Small Business Administration. The money was used to finance earlier debt, develop new trails, install a new chairlift and increase snowmaking capacity.

But they were ultimately unable to repay the debt, and in 1993 their bank foreclosed.

The resort was sold at auction to a group of local investors, but five years later it was back on the auction block.

And the cycle repeated itself yet again, concluding with a third foreclosure auction in 2000, at which time Josh and Susan Burns purchased the resort for \$325,000 plus back taxes.

The couple invested \$900,000 in improvements, and in January of this year — at the start of what turned out to be a record ski season — they put the resort back up for sale, listing it for \$1.8 million.

The terms of this latest sale were not made public.

Bethel Rotary Club Annual Auction & Yard Sale

Saturday, June 28

Telstar Middle/High School

Yard Sale begins at 8:00am

Auction Preview at 5:30 pm

Auction Starts at 6:30 pm

Refreshments Available

Thousands of dollars of gift certificates, furniture, antiques and hundreds of items.

Individuals wishing to donate items to the auction may call 875-2364 for pick-up.

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Letters

BAD THINGS DO HAPPEN HERE

To the Editor:

I recently attended the Annual Town Meeting. As a life-time resident of Bethel, I was saddened by the lack of support for our Public Safety departments shown by so many of our townspeople.

When discussing subjects such as raises for administration, and increases in funding for employee benefits there was little to no dispute on approval. However, when it came time for requests from Public Safety funding, all three departments found themselves defending their requests and having to fight for what they needed. After brief discussion the Fire Department was lucky to get the funding they requested. Thankfully, but not without much debate and heated discussion the Ambulance Service was also able to get the finances they requested. Sadly, the Police Department was not so fortunate.

Safety should "never" be compromised, and I feel that that is just what our town has chosen to do. By denying our officers double coverage on weekends we are not only compromising their safety, but we are also compromising the safety of our loved ones and ourselves. These are the same officers who risk their lives every time they put on their uniforms and get in their car to keep us safe; however, when they ask for our help in keeping them safe we deny them.

The naive attitude people seem to take is: "This is Bethel, bad things don't happen here." These people are right about one thing. This definitely is Bethel. However, Bethel is changing. Just recently we had a carload of felons with a trunkload of weapons arrested in Bethel, after a home invasion in Hanover where shots were fired. A man threatening his family was arrested and found to have an enormous knife in his possession, and I don't think anyone needs to be reminded of the Labor Day tragedy that is still so fresh in our hearts and minds.

People need to wake up! Bad things do happen here.

What is it going to take? Is Bethel going to have to be the next town to suffer the loss of an officer in the line of duty? Are we going to have to have a citizen die because our only officer on duty was transporting a drunk to jail when the 911 call came in that a home was being broken into?

I think another resident of Bethel said it well when she quoted Town Selectman Dennis Doyon in saying, "You get what you pay for." Unfortunately, what our town decided to pay for is what could be sufficient coverage should nothing bad happen here. We may have been fairly lucky in Bethel compared to surrounding towns, but everyone's luck runs out.

I just pray it's not my family that needs help when help is not available.

I would like to make it clear this letter reflects my own opinion and is not necessarily the opinion of Bethel Rescue.

Melinda Evans
Bethel

ADULT SOCCER RETURNS

To the Editor:

Bethel's Adult Soccer League is returning for its second summer starting on Thursday, June 19. We play at Telstar at 5:30 p.m. every Thursday night.

This laid-back co-ed pick-up game is open to all players 18-plus regardless of ability. Meet new people and get some exercise. One \$10 donation for the season is requested for regular players. All funds raised go to support the soccer program at Telstar High School. Last year we raised over \$400. Questions? Call 824-5243.

Alex Kaufman
Bethel

CYCLING CLUB UPDATE

To the Editor:

Western Maine Cycling Club is off to a rolling start!

The interest in the previous letter to the editor about a cycling club start-up was great. We've had a couple of group rides with good numbers and fun rides. During the summer months there will be two scheduled weekly rides, both meeting at the Norway Savings Bank parking lot at 5 p.m.

Tuesday night will be the more moderately paced or recovery ride. The focus will be on giving those not used to group riding a chance to get more experience; therefore, the group will work to stay together. The flatter local terrain will be selected, with rides going for 20-25 miles.

Thursday night will be the faster-paced ride. Biking distances will range from 30-40 miles, usually with a good hill climb. Not a race pace, as the ride will often regroup at key points throughout the ride.

For more information on additional biking events taking place throughout the area, please check the club's blog, www.westernmainecyclingclub.blogspot.com. If you have any events that are taking place that you would like posted on the blog site, please contact me at 890-5304 or e-mail jef@mahoosuctimberframe.com and I will be happy to post them for you.

Jeff Hershberger
Greenwood

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WINE TASTING TO BENEFIT AG. SOCIETY MUSEUM

To the Editor:

On Wednesday, July 9, from 5 to 7 p.m. the Sunday River Brewing Company is sponsoring a Wine Tasting for the benefit of the Oxford County Agricultural Society Museum at the Oxford Fair. This Tasting was very popular last year, so this will be the Second Annual Wine Tasting. Come to the Sunday River Brewery on Route 26 in Bethel and enjoy the fun! The \$10 ticket donation will be used for new acquisitions for this wonderful museum of Oxford County farm equipment and items used on local farms; it will also be used to maintain the wonderful items already in the museum. Tickets are available at Ruthie's, Main Street, Bethel; at Books 'n Things, Main Street, Norway; and from Bettyann Hastings (Bethel area 824-2352), Nancy Willard (Woodstock area 665-2788) and from Lee Barth (Paris area 743-6468).

Mark your calendar, donate to this worthy cause and join us for a great time!

For further information call me 665-2478.

Joan Putnam
Bryant Pond

GO SKATEBOARDING DAY

To the Editor:

The Skatepark Committee met last Thursday to discuss and plan some upcoming events. This Saturday, June 21, is international Go Skateboarding Day and a celebration will be held at Davis Park from 1 to 5 p.m.

A new ramp that has been donated will be assembled. There will be music, a BBQ available, and some fun skating, biking and scootering. All are welcome, so please stop by. Rain date is Sunday, June 22, 1 to 5 p.m.

On Mollyockett Day (July 19) the Friends of Davis Park and the Skatepark Committee will be on the common with a halfpipe, 50/50 raffle and skating DVDs. There will be skating demos and a skate competition. The competition will be for ages 5-17. Those wishing to participate are asked to sign up ahead of time at the Bethel Town Office. This will help with planning. But Mollyockett Day entries will also be possible.

Thank you to those who have called to donate bottles to the skatepark fund. Every nickel is appreciated.

If you have any questions about the skatepark events, or want to donate bottles, please call me at 824-2115.

Nancy Babcock
Skatepark Committee

'REACH' THANKS

To the Editor:

Thank you, Bethel voters, for once again supporting REACH — Rape Education and Crisis Hotline. Thank you for your signatures guaranteeing that we would appear on the Bethel Town Meeting warrant. Thank you for voting to allocate \$500 from the town budget for the work we do.

All of REACH's services are confidential and free of charge to all Bethel residents. This past school year, REACH presented information and personal safety material to all 7th- and 9th-grade students, and to an 8th-grade class at Telstar.

The elementary personal safety presentation we piloted in all K-6th grade classrooms in SAD17, Oxford Hills, will be offered to SAD44 administration over the summer for approval of implementation by REACH next school year.

It is horrifying, but true, that one-third of sexual assault reports to law enforcement and REACH are against children under the age of 12; one-third against children age 12 to 17. We are working to teach children about sexual abuse in age and developmentally appropriate ways, just as we teach about other safety issues — fires, streets, etc.

Other REACH services include a 24/7 Helpline for victims and their families, support groups, community and professional education and a lending library.

For more information, feel free to call me at 824-0550 or the REACH office in South Paris at 743-9777. The toll-free Helpline number is (800) 871-7741.

The Rev. Virginia "Ginger" Rickerman
REACH Board President

Andover

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town is being pulled down around us. I hope the citizens will fight to keep their unique town and its heritage intact. I respectfully resign my position as selectman, assessor and overseer of the poor."

Rainey then walked out of the Town Hall.

As he left, resident Wayne Delano requested to say something to him, asking him if he would stop to listen.

Rainey replied, "I'll listen some other time. I'm not going to listen to any bunch of commenters tonight."

He received hugs and handshakes from several of the 40 people present, then left.

Selectman Hope Peterson then stood and said, "On that note, I also will be resigning."

But, she said, she would stay on so that town business may be conducted with a quorum of the board until the special meeting takes place.

In her resignation letter, Peterson wrote, "I have found recently that my personal life has been scrutinized by several residents in town. I find this to be offensive. This has affected my health and my family, which I can no longer tolerate."

Rainey's term would have expired in March 2009, and Peterson's in March 2010. Peterson said she would stay on in her separate job as secretary to the board.

The third selectman is Susan Merrow, who was elected in March.

Peterson said nomination papers will be available at the Town Office beginning Monday. They must be returned no later than 4 p.m. on July 2.

Wells resigns from AWD
Peterson then read another letter of resignation, this one from Andover Water District board member Ron Wells.

Wells said his resignation will take effect June 23. He gave two reasons:

"It is my wish to stand in solidarity with the two selectpersons who are also resigning tonight. I feel their pain."

And, he said, "Serving in any capacity with the current situation that exists in Andover, where all individuals who are trying to serve diligently, are being constantly attacked and criticized, is not an environment in which I care to participate."

Delano then addressed Pe-

Post-meeting comments

After the meeting, Merrow declined to comment on Milligan's remarks.

But in the context of Rainey's concerns about harassment, she said, "Citizen conduct over town issues continues to be a concern." She noted that she and Scott have been granted two protection-from-harassment orders in the past month.

Commenting on the selectmen situation as a whole, Merrow said:

"Andover is a great place to live. Town government can be a challenge and requires a willingness to work together in order to meet in the middle. Unwillingness to compromise is never a good thing in any civil administration."

"Of course, we have our own views — but when the importance of personal needs overshadows the town as a whole, then we all need to work a little harder."

"Selectmen have to be willing to work together and be prepared to communicate on a regular basis. We have to be open. It takes effort, commitment and time to bring everyone together, but it does not have to be this hard."

"As to what citizens running for office need to know is this: The Board of Selectmen serve in a part-time capacity as the executive branch of the town government. Their role is administering and carrying out the will of the voters as decisions made by the town meeting.

"By having two selectmen resign, and then having a member of the water district resign in 'solidarity' illustrates a real problem. Going into their elected positions, citizens need to know that as elected officials their loyalty needs to be with the town — not to each other."

Merrow said she had heard of several people who might consider running for the open seats.

Peterson was asked if in hindsight she would have done anything differently as a selectman.

"I don't think so," she said. "We took it as it came upon us and dealt with it as best we could. There has been no communication among certain board members since March, and it's been dysfunctional."

Before and during the meeting, two police cruisers from the Oxford County Sheriff's Department sat in the village, not far from the Town Hall.

Our

Back Pages

Compiled by Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: The American Skiing Company agreed to contribute \$150,000 toward the extension of the runway at Bethel's Col. Dyke Airport.

Paul and Sally Bodwell were guests of honor at a 45th wedding anniversary party.

Over 100 residents turned out to vote on the 36 items on the warrant, including the Comprehensive Plan and Sign Ordinance, at Bethel's town meeting.

Births: Connor James Andrews, MaKayla Henlee Burgess, Leeah Isabella Richardson.

Deaths: Theodore H. Howe; Irma "Tootie" Holt, Vernon A. Smiley, Jr.

20 years ago: Gary and Sandra Savage were the winning bidders at the public auction of the Boiler Room restaurant in Bryant Pond.

Men and equipment from Maine and Rhode Island National Guard Engineering Battalions were putting the finishing touches on the runway project at Col. Dyke Field.

The U.S. Forest Service had completed the renovation and addition of 1,560 square feet to its office on Bridge Street.

Birth: Emily Akers Cummings.

30 years ago: The six-apartment building on Spring Street, known over the years as the "Grange Hall" and "Pattie's Hall," was being torn down.

Work was progressing on the Mt. Abram Zephyr, Maine's only monorail mountain ride.

The Bethel IGA Food Store was advertising eggs 57¢ a dozen, green or red grapes 89¢ a pound, cantaloupe 59¢ each, and top round roast \$1.69 a pound.

Deaths: Dr. H. John Young, Herschel F. Cole, Jr.

40 years ago: The Senior Citizens annual picnic was held at the Bethel Inn Beach Club, Songo Pond.

Casco Bank and Trust Company held a ribbon cutting and open house at their new office in Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Paine were honored on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary.

Construction work had begun on Route 26 and on the East B Hill road in Upton.

Birth: Scott Alan Newton, Carol Ann Willard.

Deaths: Frank H. Hayes, Robert J. Rugg.

50 years ago: High winds in Bethel and the surrounding area blew down trees, and damaged telephone and power lines as well as many roofs.

Mt. Abram

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"First and foremost in our minds is not reinventing Mt. Abram," Hancock said Saturday, the day after the sale closed.

"This mountain works. The model works. The economics work, so I'm not looking to reinvent the wheel here," Hancock said.

"The crowd that is attracted to this mountain — who really are our life blood for all those \$20 bills that we have to grab a lot of every weekend — is largely the greater Portland and the Portland-north crowd. They drive up Route 26 every weekend for ski school, and ski programs for their kids, and a getaway in their own world," Hancock said, "and we have to continue to provide the atmosphere that draws those families here."

Westside expansion

To enhance that atmosphere, changes are in store for one area of Mt. Abram — Westside, a complex of three novice trails and a lodge, located to the west of the main trail system.

"There needs to be an area that's more facilitative and supportive to a larger and expanded ski school," Hancock said.

"That would include expanding or replacing the current Westside lodge," Hancock said.

"One of the things that makes Mt. Abram unique is its terrain for the ski school and beginners and the learning crowd."

"But, he said, "that lodge is largely undersized for what we want to grow that ski school to be."

In light of that limitation, he said: "We've had two thoughts on what happens on April 15, 2009.

"One is we donate the build-

ing to the local Fire Department [for a training burn], and start over."

"And the second option is to expand: blow out one end of the building and make it a more comprehensive center for ski school and training and kids and daycare — those kind of activities."

River spillover

And there's another market the new owners hope to attract.

"Detachable quads detach," Hancock said.

"On three or four days last year, we either had high winds or some other things that were happening, and we had a Sunday-River spillover, and I heard from so many people, people who hadn't skied here before, who came, and what they found at Mt. Abram, they really enjoyed."

Greg Sweetzer, executive director of the Ski Maine Association, once typified the Portland-area skiers Hancock and Lally hope to attract.

"My mom and dad started our family skiing there, the second winter that the ski area opened. We drove back and forth from our home in Cumberland every weekend and vacation week. I've been lucky to convert my favorite winter sport into my lifelong career."

The ski area was a convenient day drive for our family growing up," Sweetzer said, "and today, that remains one of Mt. Abram's strengths. It is located within a 1.5 hour drive from a large population base."

And the resort's new owners, he said, "understand the personality of the mountain and their ownership will build on the convenience of the mountain's location and the loyalty of the generations of Mt. Abram skiers."

Rebels

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years in the Western Maine finale, which they won two years ago, on their way to a state championship.

The start of Tuesday's game was delayed for an hour and a half by severe thunderstorms and rain showers, but the game itself was dry.

Last year the Georges Valley Bucs also defeated the Rebels in the Western Maine Championship, 3-2, on their own way to a state championship.

This year they came into the game undefeated, and fa-

vored.

"We wanted a second shot at them, and we got it," said coach Jim Lunney, "but their pitcher pitched a good game and kept us off balance."

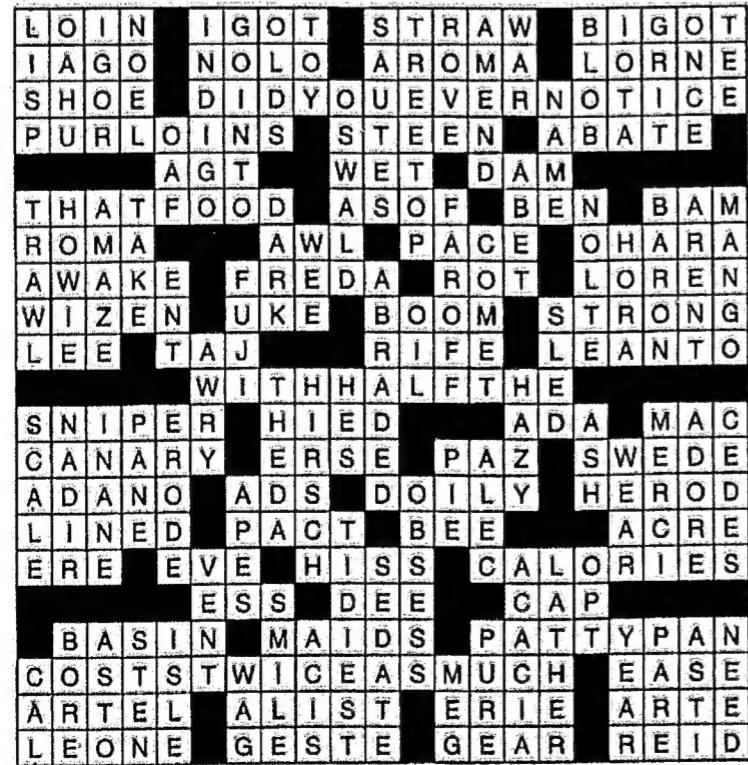
The Rebels lose five starters to graduation this year, and "they're going to be hard to replace," Lunney said.

But the Rebels' two starting pitchers will return next year, the coach said.

"And that's going to give us a very good shot — we're going to be competitive."

Briefly**Swimming lesson schedule**

BETHEL—The Town of Bethel swimming program will take place weekdays at the Angevine Park Swim Hole on the North Road beginning June 24. The program will run through July 11 (no classes July 4). Any child 5 years old or entering kindergarten in the fall is eligible for Levels I-VI. Children age 4 and under are eligible for Infant/Toddler/Preschool program, which is taken with an adult. Registration forms are available at the Town Office. Children will be placed in classes according to ability and age. The schedule will be: Level V and above: 8 a.m. to 8:45 a.m.; Level IV: 8:45 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.; Level III: 9:30 a.m. to 10 a.m.; Level II: 10:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Level I: 11:30 a.m. to noon; Infant/Toddler/Preschool: noon to 12:30 p.m. For more information call Ellie Kingsbury at 824-3152 x301.

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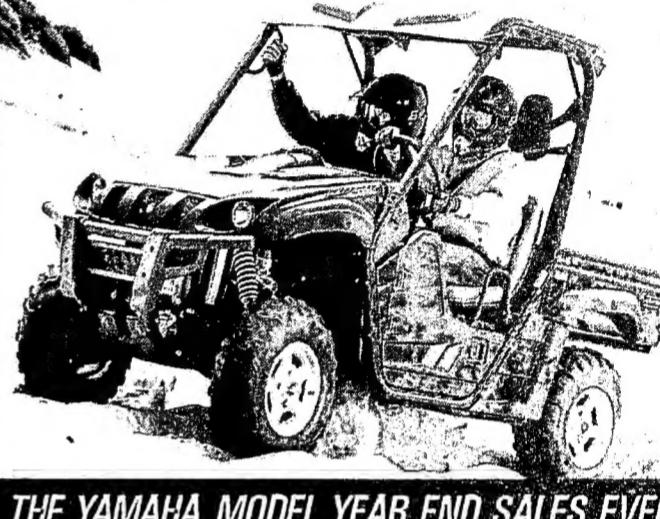
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Meeting

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years.

But replacing the 1994 vehicle, which serves as a backup to a 2003 ambulance, has been put off for several budget years, she said.

This year, the Budget Committee considered purchasing a refurbished ambulance "box" that had been in an accident. Under such an arrangement, the box is placed on a new chassis.

But rescuers were not comfortable with the unknown quality of such a box, and asked instead for funds to refurbish the 1994.

A majority of budgeteers, however, were reluctant to invest in the older vehicle and the issue was put aside for another year.

Budget Committee member Ron Savage said last week that he saw no reason to rush into a purchase immediately, and suggested that options be thoroughly researched on the Internet first.

He said other towns that had purchased such refurbished vehicles should be contacted to see how they perform.

Then, he said, "We can come back to a special Town Meeting," to consider a purchase.

He also reminded voters the ambulance to be replaced was a backup.

Jane Ryerson, another committee member, advocated getting back on the established purchase schedule.

"The biggest bang for our buck for our town is the Ambulance Service," she said.

After more discussion Mike Bennett made his argument, and the funds were approved.

(Bennett's remarks about Greenleaf referred to a Med-Care ambulance accident last year that killed an EMT and seriously injured Greenleaf,

the driver.)

Under a separate warrant article proposing funds to operate the ambulance service for the next year, selectmen recommended \$187,880. The Budget Committee recommended \$156,080.

The larger figure included money to provide an ambulance driver on duty daily at the station.

Currently, the station is staffed with an EMT but the service relies on a volunteer driver.

Cheryl Bennett and EMT David Hanscom said it is becoming increasingly difficult to consistently get volunteers.

Savage countered that the Budget Committee had not proposed any cuts to the service, but wanted to hold the line on increases with an eye toward the difficult economic times.

But, said Fire Chief Mike Jodrey, "Fire and Rescue have a couple of employers who supply people to both [services]. They're losing people five, 10, sometimes 25 hours a week. They're not going to let that happen forever. The time will come when they say 'No more,'" and then it will cost us a lot more."

Dave Hart, a Waterford resident and Tri-Town Transfer Station head attendant, also attended the meeting.

He said Bethel has good ambulance service and he advocated supporting it.

"Look at the average age in this room," he said. "I mean, heart attacks are coming."

The room erupted in laughter, and the article was easily approved in the higher amount.

Police

Voters approved \$30,000 for the Police Department to pur-

chase a new vehicle, but narrowly defeated a proposal to fund the department to the extent recommended by selectmen.

Ryerson made a motion to raise \$255,849 to operate the BPD instead of the \$271,635 recommended by selectmen.

She noted that as a result of a legal settlement in February to pay Lt. S.R. White back pay for on-call time, the BPD had been forced to find \$27,000 from its budget.

Much of that money came through cutbacks in double coverage.

"They found that money within their own budget," she said. "If they could find \$27,000 to pay him for on-call, they ought to be able to find money to cut out."

For the past two years, two officers had generally been on duty at the same time for a few hours on Thursdays through Saturdays.

Those hours included times when disturbances are more likely.

Cole said the figure proposed by Ryerson would include some double coverage, but not as much as the selectmen's recommendation.

Selectmen chair Stan Howe said that for officer safety it is better to have two officers respond to domestic incidents.

"If you don't, you're endangering the lives of the police," he said.

But Savage said selectmen should press the Oxford County Sheriff's Department to provide better coverage and officer backup in such incidents.

He said money paid by the town supports the OCSD, but Bethel sees little service in return.

Savage said his position was not a criticism of the BPD.

"We have a terrific force. This is nothing to do with them," he said.

Selectman Don Bennett favored backup from within the department. He said, "If something happens in my neighborhood and one of the police men come, I want him backed up from here in town."

Travis Fillmore, a BPD reserve officer, said backup does help ensure officer safety.

He also described another situation in which an on-duty officer might make an arrest "on a Friday or Saturday night, and the officer has to go to South Paris to process the arrest, and he is out of town. If there's a domestic or a bar fight in town, now you don't have an officer within a half hour of here on a good day in good weather."

Savage said such a situation would be the perfect scenario in which to bring a county officer to Bethel to cover.

Savage also said the Budget Committee had recommended allowing the police chief to take a cruiser home in order to provide backup on some days. There would be no extra on-call charge, because he is salaried.

Following more discussion, Ryerson's motion passed 52-46.

Trash

Voters overwhelmingly rejected (62-29) a citizen-initiated article to direct selectmen to award a solid-waste disposal contract to Archie's of Mexico. The petition named Archie's.

Pine Tree Waste, which currently handles the service for Bethel and Tri-Town Transfer Station, was initially underbid by Archie's in some disposal categories.

Going with the lowest bidders in the various categories

would have saved Bethel and its partners, Newry and Hanover, approximately \$55,000, Cole said.

But subsequent changes by both companies to their bids lowered the difference to \$34,000.

Savage and others expressed concern that staying with Pine Tree as a result of its subsequent lower bids would hurt the integrity of future bid processes.

"No matter how we vote on this, I think it will hurt us in years to come on contracts," he said.

But Bob Chadbourne said he had spoken with many Pine Tree customers who planned to vote to stay with that company "because they feel they're getting excellent service."

Selectman Dennis Doyon also argued that simply going with the lowest bidder is not necessarily the best overall decision.

"There is a cost for good service," he said.

Newry and Hanover selectmen had already voted to go with the low bidders in each category, and had signed a contract with Archie's.

Cole told Bethel voters that whatever they decided was the way the issue would go, and the other two towns would "have to get on board."

After defeating the article, voters approved \$369,917 to fund the Solid Waste Account, an increase of \$21,816 over the selectmen's recommendation.

The increase covers the amount needed to pay Pine Tree for all waste categories.

The other two towns would be billed for their shares of the total budget.

Remaining articles on the 40-article warrant were all approved as written.

Follow-up

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expected to take the matter up at their regular meeting Monday evening.

Police Coverage

Cole said that despite the voters' decision to cut \$15,788 from the police budget the town will still be able to provide double coverage by its own police force when needed.

"It's not a wholesale dissolution of the Police Department," he said.

"We'll go back to the 2006 levels of coverage. Rather than have a blanket three-day-a-week double coverage for afternoon and evening, there will be a little more discretion required on the chief's part in choosing those periods."

Ambulance

And as for the voters' decision to spend \$125,000 for a new ambulance, Cole said, the follow-up is straightforward.

"We'll buy an ambulance and we'll pay cash for it."

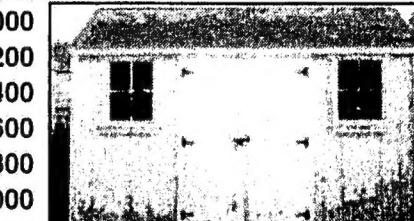
But he added: "We will define and go through a process before we actually sign any sales contracts."

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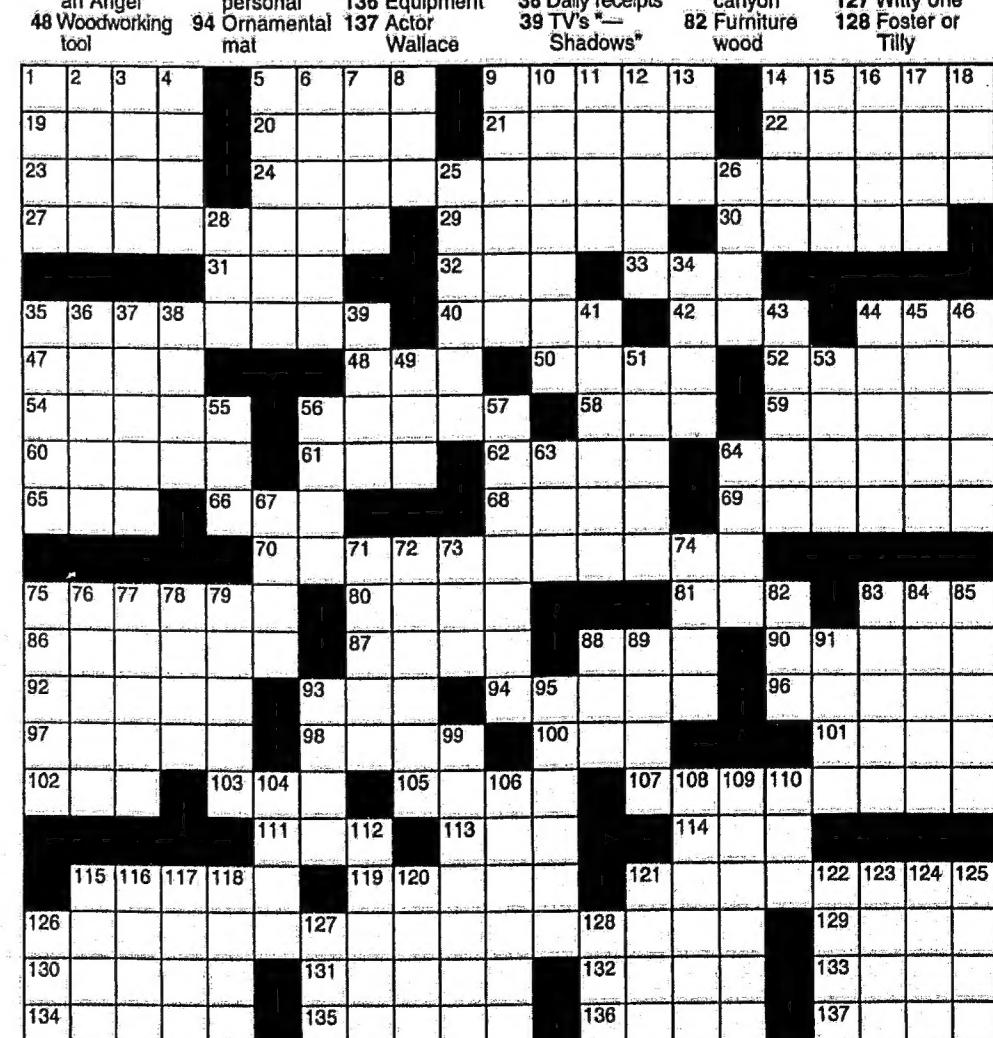
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The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

I think I finally have a pretty good grasp of my DVD player at long last. I had it pretty much under control when I had cable, but when I switched to a dish I had to learn all over again and believe me, I'm a slow learner when it comes to that sort of thing.

My husband and I don't watch DVD movies that often so whenever we do I have to remind myself that the TV remote has the input key and the DVD remote takes over from there...I think.

For quite some time after we had the dish installed we didn't watch any movies at all because I couldn't figure out how to get the player to work as it worked quite a bit differently from when we had cable. Fortunately, one of my grandsons showed me how to do it. I guess I'm grateful that a nine-year-old child knows more about such things than I do, but it does make me feel a bit helpless and maybe more than a little stupid.

It appears that technology is leaving me in the dust yet again. There has been a lot of talk about television transmission going from analog to digital and unless you have the right kind of set you have to install some type of converter.

I was quite concerned about all of this because I

Blu-ray Technology

Now, along comes Blu-ray DVD. What in the heck is Blu-ray? I haven't figured out what Blue Tooth is and now I have to learn about Blu-ray! My life doesn't seem to me to be any worse off because I don't own or even understand PDA's, Blackberries, PS1, 2 or 3 or even iPods. I just can't see where high definition or Blu-ray is going to enhance my life.

From what little I understand and that is very little, both high definition and Blu-ray are supposed to provide a much sharper image. So what? The image I get on my out-

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From the Bethel Police Log:***Hit and run — by a moose***

On June 11 at 11:57 p.m. Officer George Gould responded to the Grover Hill Road for a car-moose accident. The moose had run into the side of the vehicle and broke the side mirror. The animal then fled into the woods.

Sunday, June 15

At 12:46 a.m. Officer Travis Fillmore responded to a village business for a report of an unwanted subject. On arrival the subject fled. A state trooper then detained two subjects on Mechanic Street in connection with the complaint, both very intoxicated and uncooperative. Ryan L. Wodka, 30, and Spencer T. Glover, 26, both of Bethel were arrested and taken to the Oxford County Jail. Wodka was charged with disorderly conduct and failure to submit to arrest. Glover was charged with criminal trespass/indecency conduct/violation of condition of release and refusing to sign a uniform summons and complaint.

Saturday, June 14

At 5:08 p.m. Officer Jeff Campbell stopped Asa W. Hemenway, 34, of Corinth and issued a ticket for an expired inspection sticker.

Friday, June 13

At 10:05 p.m. Officer Jeff Campbell received a report of an intoxicated subject stumbling onto the road on the Songo Pond Road. The officer found the subject lying in the ditch and gave him a ride into town.

Thursday, June 12

At 5:41 p.m. Officer Jeff Campbell responded to Cross Street for a report of an intoxicated, unwanted subject. The subject was ordered to leave. At 6:03 p.m., the subject returned without permission. The officer arrested Amanda K. Johnson, 21, for criminal trespass.

At 6 p.m. on Mechanic Street Officer Jeff Campbell arrested Corey E. Emmett, 26, of Bethel for domestic assault. He was taken to the Oxford County Jail.

Wednesday, June 11

At 7 a.m. a complainant reported to Chief Alan Carr that a subject with whom the complainant shared an apartment had been using his debit card to pay a phone bill. The complainant had authorized a one-time payment by that method, but the subject then continued to use it. The complainant had tried to contact the subject without success.

Monday, June 9

At 12:45 p.m. Chief Alan Carr took a report from a complainant that a subject had received a \$1,000 check intended for the complainant, and had cashed it at a local bank by signing the complainant's name.

**From the Oxford County Sheriff:
(Bethel region)****Sunday, June 15**

At 1:04 a.m. Deputies Mike Halacy and George Cayer responded to Mechanic Street in Bethel to assist a Bethel officer.

Saturday, June 14

At 4:55 p.m. Deputy Willie Nelson responded to the Old West Bethel Road in Albany for a report of ATVs racing up and down the road.

Friday, June 13

At 8:55 p.m. Deputy Mike Halacy responded to the West Bethel Road to assist a Bethel officer on a call.

**Oxford County Jail Log:
(Bethel region)**

June 15, 2 a.m.: Spencer T. Glover, 26, of Rumford, disorderly conduct, criminal mischief, indecent conduct/public, violation of bail conditions; by Trooper Jason Wing in Bethel.

June 15, 2:05 p.m.: Charles Raymond Mason, 61, of Hudson, N.H., OUI; by Trooper Paul Casey on Route 2 in Bethel.

June 15, 1:15 a.m.: Ryan L. Wodka, 31, of Bethel, disorderly conduct, failure to submit to arrest/detention; by Trooper Jason Wing on Mechanic Street in Bethel.

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Bennett**Town Meeting — Much Ado about Trash**

On Wednesday evening, June 11, Bethel's Congress and Bethel's Administration met at Crescent Park School to address the town's business for the Fiscal Year of 2009. Bethel's Congress looks much like the big Congress we read about daily — committees, interest groups, activists, and lobbyists. This year's attendance was nearly double the usual number of voters; 124 voters and probably another 15 non-voters attended. Harry Dresser was elected moderator for the meeting.

The public address system set up for the meeting had only one microphone — that one was for the moderator who was very reluctant to share it with voters. It would seem in this day and age that the town of Bethel could locate someone with the right equipment and know-how to better prepare a town meeting hall for a once-a-year important assembly.

The meeting lasted three hours and 35 minutes of which 46 percent of that time, one hour and 40 minutes, was de-

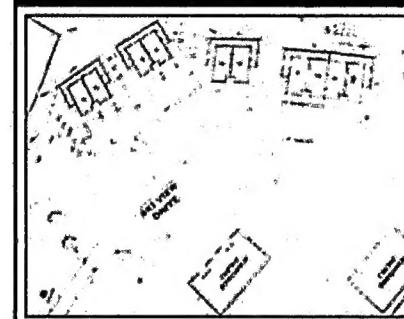
voted to the Articles 23 and 24 about solid waste management. It was these two articles that had attracted the special interest groups and lobbyists for the most part. The Administration and our Congressional Budget Committee had agreed on reducing this year's waste disposal appropriation from \$414,939 to \$348,091 for the coming year — a 16 percent reduction. One hour and 40 minutes after the articles were introduced for a vote, the voters had added \$21,826 to the original number making the new appropriation \$369,917 or an 11 percent reduction over the previous year.

Article 23 would have had the town contracting with Archie's Inc of Mexico for the disposal of municipal solid waste and make curbside pickups in Bethel. This article was defeated by a 29 to 83 vote.

However, due to an article voted on in the 2006 annual meeting, the selectmen are still obligated to accept the low bid for the solid waste contracts from any qualified bidder. This calls up the weaknesses of town meetings and the work of congresses in general. The voters focus on the splintered pieces and not on the complete whole. The day following the meeting, the Sun Journal noted that the Administration was chastised by the vice chair of the Budget Committee for corrupting the bidding process.

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Three points that leaked out of this debate were: one, the tri-town contracts did not provide for a verifiable method reporting the weight of waste hauled from the transfer station; two, there is no provision specifying how the town's final waste disposal shall be processed. Bethel does not have a "green" policy despite all claims made by our various conservation and recreation groups. The town's voters do not know how the waste hauled from the transfer station will be processed. The same can be said for town recyclables. Three, the tri-town solid waste committee is only an informal association whose charter, if it could be called that, has lapsed into simply an informal arrangement.

Ambulances do count

Ambulance service was spread through four parts of the meeting's warrant. Overall about 40 minutes were spent on those parts: First, there is income from ambulance service and fees. It came to \$156,000 last year. This income goes into the general fund, whereas a snowmobile grant from the state's snowmobile income goes directly into snowmobile services. "That is the way it is done."

Second, there is the cost of Bethel's ambulance operation. An untold amount of the cost is satisfied by volunteers who are becoming less able to devote time to being available for duty.

Third, is the cost of maintaining Greenleaf Station, which is expected to cost \$8,500.

Fourth, there is the need to invest in new ambulance vehicles. This year to improve the bottom line of the town budget, no money was to be appropriated for a replacement ambulance. Ambulance Service Director Cheryl Bennett convinced the voters to appropriate \$125,000 for a new ambulance. It would be used to replace the service's 1994 am-

bulance. Her resoluteness provided a good example of why the Town Meeting needs to tell the selectmen what the town wants them to accomplish in the coming year. One comment from the floor was, "An ambulance is a life-saving device. It is not something you just look for on the Internet."

Collecting budget fragments

When the appropriations for administration, town clerk, assessors, finance, planning, police, fire, ambulance and employee benefits are totaled up, the amount comes to \$1,321,997. Add to this amount another \$542,380 for Public Works, which makes a total of \$1,864,377. The town manager reported that the town has 16 employees and maintains 62 miles of town roads.

Visit the Barking Dawg

As you may have read in a previous Citizen edition, the new grocery and convenience store on Sunday River's access road called The Barking Dawg is open. It is a lot different than the camp building that had been home to New York Pizza for a few years. Because we did not take a shopping list, something may have missed our eye, but it looks pretty complete to me. The first item I spotted was the fresh meat case — steaks and sausage. Dry goods are in aisle shelves that separate more refrigerated goods from the meat. Other sections house a large wine rack and a corner with table and seating for eating in. New York Pizza has a new home inside as well. The special this week is lowest priced milk in Bethel.

I may be wrong but John Amann's new store may be the first time in nearly 100 years that Sunday River and North Bethel residents can buy fresh meat without going to Bethel village. Back in the "good old days," Bethel meat peddlers would drive their horse-drawn meat carts from house to house. Chaunc-

ey Bryant was one name from the past that drove his meat cart up the Sunday River road twice weekly. Chauncey's descendants built and operated the grocery store now owned by the Gliddens. Could be that Sunday River's grocery stores had fresh meat but whenever we went to check them out they were closed.

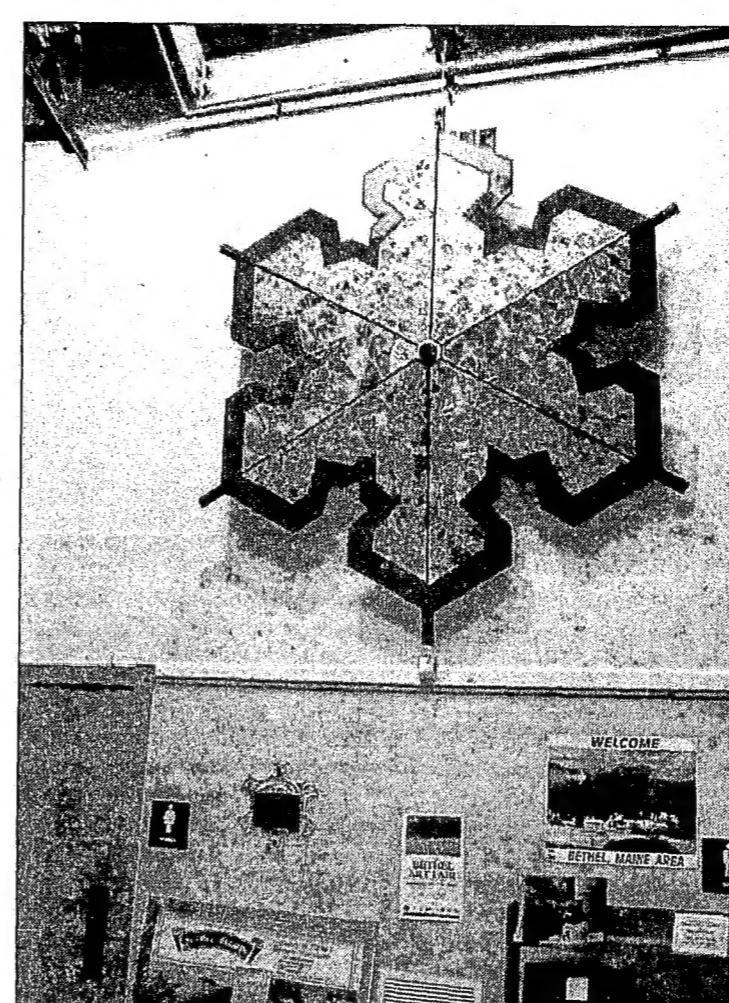
Road building underway at Locke Summit Estates

As Buzz Lightyear would say — to infinity and beyond. Excavation of the new uphill access road has proceeded over the first rise, turned left and headed for higher elevations. Developers Dunton, Thurston, Nichols and company have made it plain where their new project starts and should be of interest to the many passersby through the summer. A temporary sales office has been moved into place next to the new road's departure from the Sunday River Road. This road will surely rival the main road into the Peaks of Mt. Will for its climb into lofty elevations. If you are in need of some strenuous exercise, just a walk up the access road should give your muscles (and lungs) a good workout. From what was said earlier this year, if all goes well the builders will have a new club house standing near the access road and near the foot of the old Gould ski jump's landing.

Other News, Information

The Global Warming Report: This spring (March 1 to May 31) has been the coldest one over the last six years. For 2008 the average daily mean temperature was 41.4 degrees compared to: 2003, 44.6; 2004, 45.9; 2005, 42.2; 2006, 46.1; and 2007, 42.3.

The Vernon Street ski tow report: This history project has come to the attention of the Ski Museum of Maine where a collaborative effort is under way on a presentation that includes significant turning points in Maine's ski his-



PENDANT NOW HANGS AT THE CHAMBER—Jim Mann's mica pendant that hung around Olympia SnowWoman's neck was recently hung in the office of the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce. The pendant measures 7.5 feet across. It is made of 20 pounds of mica (refined down from 80 pounds), 60 pounds of plywood, and 20 pounds of steel frame (created by Eli Mann).

tory. Randy Bennett passed on the news that the presentation is scheduled to be given at the Bethel Historical Society in November.

To go along with the Town Meeting at Crescent Park School as well as searching for Vernon Street ski news, another piece of Bethel trivia has unexpectedly turned up: Who put the "crescent" in Crescent Park School's name?

In the Jan. 17, 1952 edition of The Citizen there is an article about adopting a name for the new school and the acceptance of the new building by the town of Bethel. The name Crescent Park School was chosen at a meeting of the Parent Teacher Association on Jan. 15, 1952. And Margaret Tibbetts' mother, Pearl Ashby Tibbetts, submitted the winning suggestion. Mrs. Tibbetts won the cash prize offered by Kimball Ames and promptly turned the prize over to the

PTA. John Carter, representing the selectmen, accepted the school for the town.

Mrs. Tibbetts had put her suggestion into a letter dated Oct. 4, 1951 addressed to, "Mr. (Donald) Christie and other capable men on the Building Committee: You have done an excellent job in getting for us such a fine and modern school building for posterity. Citizens are proud and grateful. Shall we call this handsome building — Crescent Park School and then the Playgrounds and Athletic Field that grow around it will already have names. If the new road is too wide to be Crescent Lane, it might be Crescent Road or Crescent Street..." Mrs. Tibbetts then went on with a "Did you know?" postscript telling how "about 75 years earlier (circa 1876) a group of local young men had a baseball field in the pasture and the name Crescent Grounds was

All that rain has made the grass grow twice as fast. And of course the weeds are going at quadruple speed. Corn and beans are up, and all vine crops have been planted. Then we had a frost scare the night of the 12th and covered everything, only to find the temperature had dropped no lower than 48 degrees! Our previous latest frost over the years has been June 10, so we're glad we didn't break the record.

Most exciting bird sighting of the week was an indigo bunting on the 10th. He came and went several times during the day, pecking seeds that had fallen to the ground. The bunting is the most spectacularly blue creature I have ever seen, with a brilliant iridescence, especially about the head and neck. I do hope he returns.

Each year for several years, a group of teachers from an inner-city school in Indiana

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*I'm interpreting that last paragraph to mean that I do have a chance, here in the Economic H*** of the 2nd District. But another wrote:*

"Your words and points will probably resound well with the more sophisticated and aware, but the 'mill' community from which your opponent draws his strength will be unimpressed, if not befuddled. You will come across as 'too smart.'

MY REPLY: The mill worker is not such an alien species to me as you suppose. I worked in a wood-turning mill myself off and on for 13 years and in my disreputable youth tipped a bottle in more than one tar-paper shack. One of the two men whose political experience and guidance I rely on most heavily is a paper-mill worker, son of a mill worker, grandson, of a mill worker. True, word has reached me of a guy at the Androscoggin mill who is convinced that I am using the newspapers to communicate with a foreign intelligence service in an impenetrable code. On the other hand I've received enthusiastic e-mails and telephone calls from a Bucksport mill worker, an Eastport bricklayer, an oil truck driver, a septic tank truck driver among many others. I've been continually running into people at baked bean suppers, truck stops, pancake breakfasts and such places who report reading my blasts with pleasure. I reason that there is a continuous, easily digestible theme in my ads—ridicule of political inanities in general and Mikey Meeshoo in particular.

"If [you were] running for a slot on Saturday Night Live, I'd even vote for [you], but not Congress. We don't need any more funny people there."

I get this a lot. People think I'm not serious enough. The opposite of funny is not SERIOUS. The opposite of funny is NOT FUNNY. Mike Michaud is NOT FUNNY. And besides, I have every reason to believe the writer above is backing Al Franken of Saturday Night Live for the Senate in Minnesota, and I'm way wittier than Al.

"I realize too that you are an intelligent man, well rounded in years of experience. I also realize that it takes brave men of conviction to wage a war with those corrupted individuals in power that can wield influential blows against their enemies. Sir, you have my best regards and will have my vote."

We will see. Whatever the final result it means a lot to know that I'm speaking for people like you.

Thanks for your informative and thoughtful articles that "stir the pot". • I thoroughly enjoy your weekly warts-and-all insights into the workings (or not) of Maine's political system. • You tell it like it really is and do not tip toe around issues or mince words. Your approach is very refreshing. • RE: Michaud's "inactive" stance on 2nd Amendment, I believe it was Sigmund Freud who said: a fear of weapons is a sign of retarded sexual and emotional maturity. • Keep fighting the good fight. Are you a Republican by nature or an Independent?

I am a Republican from conception and there is little I can do about it. The affliction is not yet covered under the Americans With Disabilities Act. On the plus side, there are about 60 principled conservatives in Congress (58 of them Republicans) and 60 members of Democratic Socialists of America (all Democrats). So at least I'll have someone to talk to on the Potomac.

'It is a sad commentary on the state of the state and politics in general, when the truth of the matter means nothing to the unconcerned and/or the uninterested. Good luck in your quest to bring the truth about socialized medicine to the masses. • Whatever anybody thinks of you personally, or your opinions, I happen to find them like a breathe of fresh air. Frankly, anything is an improvement over what has been coming out of Augusta the last couple years. Not to speak of the mess in the Pelosi-Reid camp in Washington. • This weeks article concerning the far left idiot who calls desecrating our Flag, 'Art', bugged me no end. I wish to send my congratulations to a true hero, your friend, Charlie [Bennett]. It took real courage to make a stand for all of us, at UMF that day, as he did, while serving his country!

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR THOUGHTS, KIND OR OTHERWISE, and by all means send me some money so I can continue to provide this valuable public service.

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has been bringing a class of middle school students to New England. For the last two years they have made Sunday River Alpacas one of their featured stops as they wend their way to the Maine coast. Last Thursday, June 12, they arrived once again and happily met all the alpacas, including two crías. They also were introduced to the rainbow trout in the pond, to the chickens that keep down the bug population and provide eggs, and to the mysteries of alpaca fiber.

Jane Hosterman helped the youngsters with feeding chickens, while Mo Libby met with another group and told them about the ins and outs of alpaca farming. Meanwhile, Mike supervised the students as they fed some fish, and also showed them how he catches and releases them. I'm sure several would like to have caught a few themselves. I was in the shop, demonstrating the spinning of alpaca and answering fiber questions, as well as minding the store as some of the guests purchased alpaca finger puppets and other mementoes. The head teacher told me that this kind of experiential education works better than any book learning for these kids.

Thursday was indeed a busy day for the Hoehs. After our time at the alpaca farm, we had an early supper and then went down to OHCHS to watch "IndepenDance," a dance recital by Debi Irons' Art Moves dance students, which included our granddaughter, Molly Siegel; her friend, Abby Goldberg; and Abby's sisters, Rose and Rachel. It was a wonderful evening, showcasing students from about age five on up to high school seniors and beyond. Many styles of music and dance were presented, including hip hop, jazz, and even belly dancing.

All those thunderstorms early in the week brought welcome relief from the oppressively hot and humid weather we had for a few days. I personally prefer temperatures in the 70s with low humidity. Just don't tolerate heat the way I used to. Could be I'm getting old.

Friday was the day the Trek Across Maine began at Sunday River. Our West Bethel neighbor, Chris Trefethen, was riding her bike in the event. The first night was spent at UMF, and the second at Colby College, with the Trek wrapping

up at Belfast. It's not too late to send a check made out to American Lung Association of Maine and mail it to Christine Trefethen, P.O. Box 667, Bethel, ME 04217; or you can go online to www.mainelung.org/events/trek/; click on "Pledge a trekker," type in Chris's name and follow instructions for pledging. Congratulations to Chris on her participation.

I hope to hear from you about your doings and about any interesting nature sightings — 836-3011; dhoeh@megalink.net.

Gilead

by
Lin Chapman

It was kind of
a damp and
miserable day
last Sunday
for Father's

Day. Hugh and I went to Tim and Michele's in Gorham, N.H., and it had hardly rained there at all. We enjoyed lunch with the grandchildren, William, Annie, Ajay and Sidney, and Michele's parents, Leo and Ann Croteau. Brad, Leslie and their son, Nate, who are close friends of Tim and Michele, joined us.

My brother, Steve McLain, stopped by our house last Saturday before the Gilead Historical Society's meeting. He brought up his trailer for us to use along with Tim's four-wheeler. It makes getting the work done for Friends and Family Day a lot easier with the four-wheeler.

Fernand and Beverley Corriveau were among the many friends and relatives that gathered at Elaine Sweetser's home this past weekend for a birthday party. The guest of honor was Jack Corriveau who was celebrating his 80th birthday. Happy Birthday, Jack!

Gladys Taylor called with some news of what has been happening with her family. Last Tuesday, she went to Fort Williams and Crescent Beach with her granddaughter, Juileigh Taylor. Windy Moody went with Christy Chapman, also. They all had a great time on their field trip. On Saturday, Bob and Gladys went to Fryeburg to help another granddaughter, Taylor Madocks, celebrate her 14th birthday. On Sunday, they went to Upton for a Father's Day celebration at the home of Mike

and Regine Chapman. Gladys' father, Raymond Chapman, was the guest of honor at this party.

At some point during her busy weekend, Gladys enjoyed a trip to Jeff Chapman's to check out the new litter of black lab puppies that he has. Not so enjoyable was the visitor that she had on Friday night. A bear was in the trash at her house and then proceeded to Keith and Patsy Cox's house across the road.

Gilead Historical Society

Only two more days until Friends and Family Day! The last planning meeting was held on Saturday, June 21. Several of the members will get together on Friday to do the final set up for Saturday, but there is plenty to do, so any help will be appreciated. Remember that the theme of the children's parade is "Historical Characters" so dress up and join in the parade.

The GHS hopes that everyone will stop by to watch the parade, listen to the music, to have lunch and just visit. This is a community event so drop by the Town Hall and check out what is happening in town.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmail@hotmail.com.

Upton

by
Laurie Brown

Bill Simmons
passed away
Sunday, June
15, at home.
He had a long
fight with
cancer. Family and friends
spent time with Bill over the
weekend. I offer condolences
to them all. We'll certainly
miss him at the store.

Fifteen people surprised Krystal at a baby shower given for her by Penny Bernier on Saturday. Krystal's due date is July 20.

Caitlin Casey is caretaker of Upton's two newest residents. She has a gray chinchilla and a black chinchilla. Paul said they make good pets.

The two-hour and fifty-minute selectmen's meeting started at 7:05 Wednesday at the Town Office. Dennis Caskey was appointed and sworn in as an alternate planning board member. Bob Brown was appointed and sworn in as a full-time member. I was appointed and sworn in as li-



SIBLING BRAGGING RIGHTS CHANGE HANDS — Matthew Bragdon, 9, of Bethel caught a 7 lb., 22-inch largemouth bass on Saturday at a favorite pond in Oxford County while fishing with his dad, Arthur Bragdon, and grandfather, Rodney Hanscom Jr. Matthew has been waiting a long time to be able to say to his brother Mitchell Bragdon, "Who caught the biggest fish?," after having to hear his brother, Mitchell, say it to him every time they went fishing since last year, when Mitchell reeled in a 6 lb., 2-inch largemouth bass at another pond in Oxford County.

brarian. (See you on opening day, Sunday 2 to 4 p.m.) Kenny was hired to mow town property. Selectmen are still looking for a backhoe.

Cross Street has been declared unsafe and has been closed for about two weeks. The culvert cannot be repaired until reps from DEP and the Army Corps of Engineers arrive to check it out. Maybe we'll be able to use it in a year or so?

Several residents of town, and non-residents with ties to Upton, are interested in starting a historical society and museum. Deborah is actively researching the legalities, requirements and stipulations of such an accomplishment. She's also looking into receiving a grant for the organization. Selectmen agreed they would welcome such an organization, possibly upstairs in the school house, as long as it proves doable.

The powers that be have determined that SAD44 will be consolidated with the Rangeley school district. Somebody in Augusta will have to ex-

plain, again, to me how that merger will save money for either town.

Paul Casey was hired to work with Marie Aron on the paperwork involved in the evaluation assessment. Rod and Norm will be doing the legwork in assessing properties and homes. Paul Anchors attended the meeting and discussed the extent that our evaluations are still lower

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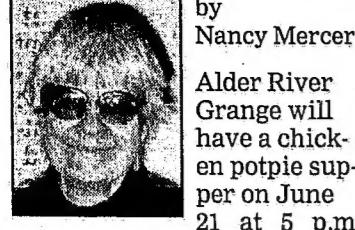
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fee with a friend. Hopefully you'll be able to make the next meeting.

On June 19, Ozzie Osborn (MLB) was born in 1946, Lou Gehrig in 1903, and Paula Abdul in 1962.

Enjoy your week. Selah.

East Bethel



by
Nancy Mercer

Alder River Grange will have a chicken potpie supper on June 21 at 5 p.m.

Adults will be \$7 and under 13 will be \$3. There will be potatoes, carrots, coleslaw, tossed salad, macaroni and cheese, rolls and gingerbread with whipped cream for dessert.

"Alder River Grange had a regular meeting on June 13 with election of officers: master, James Lowe; overseer, Peter Haines; lecturer, Ruby Meister; steward, Alvin Stevens; assistant steward, Nina Mollicone; lady assistant steward, Jane Gorman; chaplain, Nina Grover; treasurer, Stanley Howe; secretary, Nancy Mercer; gatekeeper, Inez Brown; Ceres, Diane Howe; Pomona, Dot Boyce; Flora, Lynn Mason-Courtney; Jarrod Crockett as three-year executive committee member.

Nina Mollicone had company on Memorial Day weekend: Marilyn Mollicone of Augusta, Carolyn Grant of Winterport, Alice Grant of Cape Elizabeth, and Priscilla and Martin Jackson and children, Courtney and Marcy of Bradley.

The Sanford Mainers have won three games and lost three games so far this season.

Neil Olson's three grand-

sons were bat boys for Team New Hampshire recently.

Paul and Charlotte Kimball and Velora Tuominen of North Norway enjoyed a cookout at Andre and Flossie Bernier's new home on 232 on June 14.

A nice soaking rain on Sunday should help the gardens. I haven't seen many turkeys lately. I hope the hens will have some chicks to parade around soon.

If you have any news, give me a ring at 824-3350. God Bless the Troops.

Newry



by
Sylvia
Harrington

Mark came out to the house on Friday for lunch.

First, we did a little cutting of brush and a bit of weed-work. After lunch we went for a short walk and returned to Bethel around 1:30 p.m. for a bit of shopping before I left him.

On Saturday, I met my cousin in Claire Marx from Windham in Bethel. We drove to Berlin to our family cemetery and put plants by our parents' sites. The grass had not been mowed and there was not another plant on any gravesite. We both thought it very strange and plan to make a couple of inquiries about the matter.

I am glad we have finally had enough rain to water the forests and garden areas in this part of the state.

I heard that David Lowell will soon become a granddad. Both of his daughters, Heather and Marie, are expecting in the not-too-distant future. I wish both girls well. They are

very special people to me.

I can't remember ever being frightened by a storm as I was by the one on Tuesday, the 10th. A dear neighbor walked up to see how I was doing. I couldn't thank her enough for her kindness and concern in doing so.

Earlier on Tuesday I did vote in the primary election. I felt it was a farce. Most positions had one person running for it and so there were few I felt I could fill in.

Please Mr. Editor, please return the TV Guide to the paper.

Mason



by Richard
Grover

Rupert and Ina Grover's granddaughter, Jessica, and her two sons, Jacob

and Samuel, arrived at the farm last Friday evening and plan to stay the summer. The boys go to school in Rhode Island, but they really love "the farm."

Jessica is a true farmer at heart and spends many hours at farm work, from grass mowing, blackberry pruning, gardening and all the other farming tasks. The boys were on the ball field on Saturday making sure "Papa" Rupert Jr. and Grammy Suzanne got their exercise chasing baseballs. Both boys are big Red Sox fans and are really proud of "Big Poppy."

Snuffy exercised his expertise as a bear dog last Friday evening, just before dark. He started barking in front of the garage, and then dashed up into the clearing behind the garage. Then he came dashing back down and circled around via a tractor road to the clearing from the other direction. Soon he was back at the garage, inviting me to join him. As this was typical of his "bear behavior," I got my camera

and a long-sleeve shirt to keep the mosquitoes off my arms and followed Snuffy along the tractor road toward Rosemary Stackhouse's house. Snuffy disappeared into the thick fir thicket and kept barking his "I'm on a bear bark," moving closer to Rosemary's house. Soon I knew I was getting close, but too many fir trees to see much. Then there was a crashing of brush and limbs, and I knew the bear was moving. Next, I saw the bear climbing up a short ways on a large pine tree in a clear area for a picture, once I could get through the last fringe of fir trees just ahead. Camera ready, I reached out between the branches for a clear shot. The flash startled the bear, and he headed off into the brush, not to return. I called Snuffy, and we went home.

It was a good size bear; I'm guessing in the 200-pound range, but my photo didn't come out. Either it was too dusky, or the camera batteries were tired, because I got just a very dark image.

Most of my garden is doing well so far this year, but my seed potatoes mostly rotted in the ground. I've never had that happen before. I replanted most of my row with some Yukon Gold potato seed I had left over. Hopefully, they will grow now that it is warmer and the ground wetter.

Early peas are blooming, green strawberries are growing, and I have bird netting over the plants. Pears and peaches have set on a lot of little fruit, but my cherries are rotting on the tree while they are still green! If I don't get any cherries this year, I think I will just amputate the tree at ground level, as I have done with some apple trees that didn't produce.

Hanover



by Clem
Worcester

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library officers, trustees and friends

had a meeting last Saturday afternoon. They have announced tentative plans to have the library open by July 4. Peggy Susbury described the work she has been doing in setting up the children's book section and recording books into a computer program. Peggy reported that she has donated some of the material for the library work in memory of Vickie Couture. It was reported that Judy and Jim Ray had purchased

life memberships at the library, a good idea for anyone who would like to donate \$10. The next library meeting will be June 28 at 3 p.m. at the library.

Gardner Roberts Memorial Library is interested in setting up historical displays with Hanover as the main theme. If anyone has items they would like to donate or loan, contact Donna at 364-7895.

Election Day was Tuesday, June 10. In Hanover 40 voters went to vote during the day. There are 220 registered voters in Hanover. Kelly Harrington served as election clerk and Clem Worcester was election warden. Ballot clerks were Herbert Adams and Donna Worcester as Democrats and Paul Ramsey and Gordon Howe as Republicans.

Did you know? When your driver's license expires on your birthday it is now required that you supply two forms of identification showing your physical address. This is difficult in Hanover and many small towns where most folks get mail at a post office box. Even telephone and power companies have not kept up with the 911 addressing system. Available at the Town Office is a Bureau of Motor Vehicles blank affidavit that can be used to get neighbors or others who know where you live to certify your physical address.

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Registering your automobile will become more expensive after the first of September. Vehicle registration fees will go to \$35, initial plates will increase by \$10 as will title applications.

Usually this column keeps up on the antics of Jim Ray of Howard Pond, but last week we noted a feature article about Old Jim in the Mason news. We hope Jim's gout is better. Judy and Jim visited with Judy's cousin, Steve Lovejoy on Grover Hill in Bethel, last week. Early Saturday Judy returned to their Austin home.

The Howard Pond Preservation Association has scheduled their annual meeting for July 3.

A mother turkey with chicks wandered into a back yard on a rainy Sunday afternoon. It was not very long before she scurried them into the deep grass where they could not be seen.

This week Kaylynn and her sisters, Makala and Shawnee, have been spending some time with their grandparents on Baby Brook Lane. Kaylynn has completed school in Dixfield for the year and is looking forward to the first grade

next year. Their grandfather appreciated the cards and warm caring on Father's Day.

Do you want to keep up with coming events in Hanover? Check the bulletin board at www.hanoverme.org. If you have items to list there, call the Town Office.

Andover



by Melinda
Averill

Hello Andover neighbors! The last day of school is tomorrow, so watch out!

for all of the little kids out and about more now.

Reminder that there will be a benefit this Saturday for Shelley Downs' niece, Madisyn Warner, who was born with Cornelia Delange Syndrome. It is being held at the Mexico Town Hall from 11 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. For more information or any questions, call Shelley at 392-1529.

I would like to extend my sympathy to the family of William H. Simmons ("Bill") who passed away on Sunday June 15, after a long battle with cancer. He is survived by his two sons, William and Gregory, both of Andover; three grandchildren, Keri Standeven of West Bethel, "Buddy" Simmons of Mexico and Isabella Simmons of Andover, along with sisters, brothers and many extended family members. A graveside service was held on Wednesday at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Andover, with the Rev. Jane Rich officiating.

On Tuesday, June 10, Bill and Bev Swan traveled to Colebrook, N.H., to attend the high school graduation of their granddaughter, Erica Moren. She is the daughter of David and Kaye (Swan) Moren. Also attending from Andover were Karen, Dale and Carson McKay, and Julie Gribben.

Speedy recovery wishes to Natalie Littlehale, who underwent hip surgery last Monday at St. Mary's Hospital in Lewiston. She came home on Wednesday.

A memorial service will be held for Dolly Jones at the First Congregational Church on June 28 at 11 a.m. Dolly was a staple at the church for many, many years. All friends of the family are invited.

Pam Pace would like to announce that a representative from Community Concepts will be in Andover throughout the summer months to accept applications for home heating,

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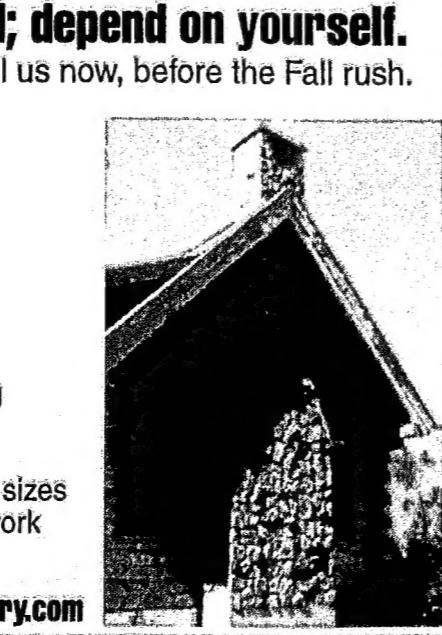
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assistance, You may call Community Concepts after June 30 to begin scheduling your appointments. The dates that they will be here are on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on July 15, Aug. 19 and Sept. 16. The contact number is (800) 866-5588.

Happy Birthday wishes today to Madison Smith, to Alyssa Cole on the 20th, and to Jeffrey Stetson on the 25th.

Don't forget this Saturday is Youth Appreciation Day at the Andover Public Library, from 1 to 3:30.

All youth age 17 and younger are encouraged to submit artwork relating to a favorite story or character for display in the library.

There will be a story and craft for elementary school age kids at 1:30, tours of the library, a raffle drawing, "fun facts about the library" and refreshments.

Children should be accompanied by an adult. Art work may be dropped off at the library prior to Saturday.

For more information or any questions call Janet at the library, 392-4841, or Karen@392-4031. See you there!

Bryant Pondby
Alice Hoyt

On Saturday evening, Jim and Charlene Hoyt held a graduation party for their son, Joseph Hoyt, who graduated from Hebron Academy on May 24. Those attending were Jim, Charlene, Joseph and Maggie Hoyt; Ken and Alice Hoyt; Beth, Steve and Marybeth Hoover; JoAnn, David and Ray Crockett; Donald and Andrea Hoyt; Mickey and Debra Perry; Francis Hoyt; Leatrice and John Chase; Robert and Althea Stevens; Mr. and Mrs. Dave McAllister and family; Donna, Tim, Seth Reed and friend. A very enjoyable time was had.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., evening service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. is prayer meeting. Friday evening is youth group at 6:30.

Judith Grover Tent 17 DUVCW met on Monday, June 9, at the Grange Hall with seven members present. An application was read and accepted. She will be initiated at convention in Waterville on June 27. Helvi Cary was guide for the evening. Jane Wardwell is delegate and Bessie House, al-

ternate to convention. Memorial Day was reported on. A thank-you note was read from Forestdale School for the new flag. Elsie thanked the tent for the sunshine box. Twenty-seven calls were reported and Elena Noyes received the mystery package. The Susan B. Anthony dollars will be presented the 4th graders who wrote the essays, and a flag will be presented for one of the classrooms on Thursday morning.

Historical Society

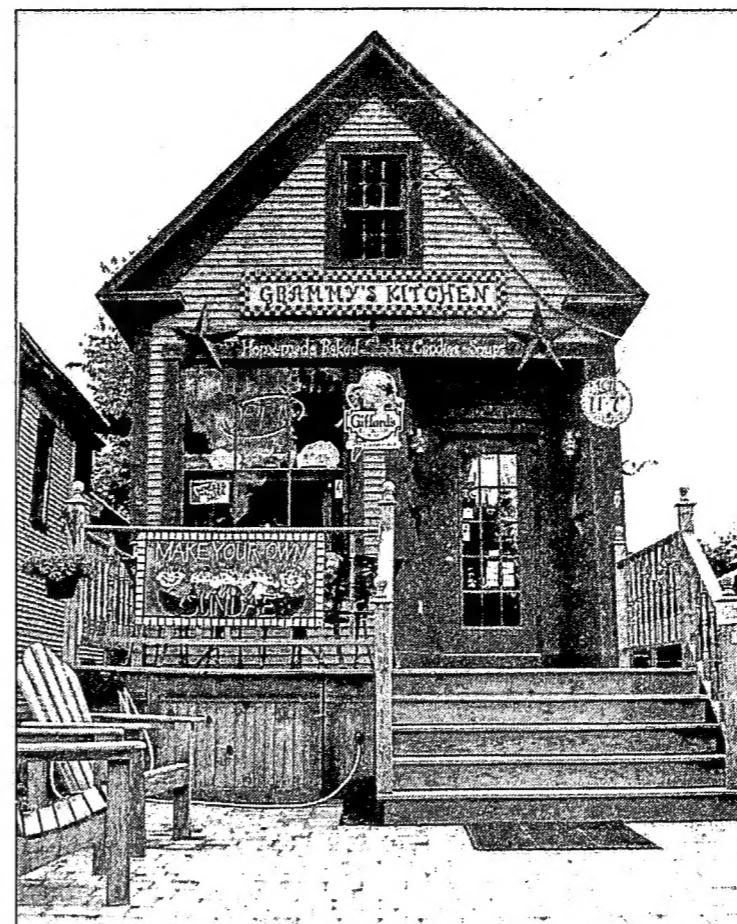
The Historical Society museum has a very fine collection of artifacts.

Curator Larry Billings and trustee Olive Risko watched the museum on opening day. The special exhibit was a tin poster on the Red Sox. Four people were in and one comment was, "Small town museums are the best."

East Andoverby
Joan Stinson-Carney

For the past few days I've been thinking about my family and my "growing-up" years in East Andover. My maternal grandparents, Jesse and Bill Simmons, had four children: Jean Simmons White, Marjorie Simmons Stinson, William "Bud" Simmons, Jr. and David Simmons. They, along with their spouses: Lester White, Ralph Stinson, Grace Roberts, and Lorena Cushing, produced 21 grandchildren. It is about growing up as one of the "21" that I want to write about today.

My family, the Stinson's, lived in the second house on Farmer's Hill Road, the Whites lived in the third house, and the Bud Simmons lived in the fourth. Uncle Dave and Aunt Lorena lived only a few miles away in Andover. So, needless to say, we were all very close to one another. We all played and fought together for many years. Building houses out of pine needles and ferns, hanging May Baskets, playing cowboys and Indians, gathering at night in the White's dark shed, to have Norma and Donna scare us to death with their ghost stories, walking down through Lester Farrington's lumber yard to go to school, looking forward each year to the arrival of the Sears and Roebuck catalog so we could make our Christmas wish lists, birthday parties, holidays, learning how to play 63, swimming at the covered

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bridge, riding a bike, going berry picking with Grammie, and waiting for Grampa to get home every Thursday with his fish, these are a few of the great memories we all share. The reason that I'm writing about this, is not a good reason. My cousin, Bill Simmons died on June 15. He was the first of the 21 to go, and it is very, very hard for me to accept this. Last Friday, my brother Perry took my mother and I up to Upton to say our goodbyes, and all these memories came flooding back. If I haven't counted wrong, Billy was the 10th grandchild, and he carried on the "William" name. He graduated with two of his cousins, Perry Stinson and Vicky Simmons Meisner, from Andover High School in 1967, one of the last classes to graduate from "The High School" before Telstar. He was an accomplished musician. My grandfather, mother, and uncles used to play the guitar and the fiddle and a lot of the grandsons learned to play from them. They have in turn passed this gift on to their sons, grandsons, nieces and nephews. Last Thursday, Tarren Vitale, 11 years old, amazed all of us with his

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ability to play the guitar. He made his Uncle Bill very happy playing for him.

Bill was home where he wanted to be, and in the very capable and loving hands of his sisters and brother, his sons, and many others.

Thanks to a very large donation from the Good Shepherd, the Andover Food Pantry is well stocked again. Last Tuesday 48 families received boxes filled with much-needed food. Pam wants to thank all the people who helped unload the truck in that horrible heat.

Next week, I promise, my column will be back to normal. Until then see ya.

West Parisby
Joyce Lamb

Beautiful weather! After a few hot days the weather predictor tells

us it will be cloudy and rainy all this week. We really need good weather for the vacationers.

There will be no service at the West Paris Universalist on Sunday. Services will start at the West Sumner Universalist Church on July 6 and will continue through July and August.

The West Paris Alumni Banquet was well attended Saturday evening. Dorene Merrill spent the weekend with Beryl Bonney and they attended Old Home Days as well as the banquet.

Beverly Stevens is now out walking and no longer needs to use her cane. Her new knee is healing well. She walked down to take tea with me on Sunday afternoon.

Mary Lovejoy reports a key chain with an electronic device was found at the Grange Hall after their sale on Saturday. If you lost yours call her.

Muffin is enjoying the fresh air and spends time napping by the open window. She is such good company for me and still follows me everywhere as I do housework.

Locke Mills

by
Lorraine Larson
What beautiful weather we have been having! After what we

got last week I was wondering if we were ever going to have any. I was disappointed because the weather kept me from attending the Sunday School picnic, Saturday, at the home of Elizabeth Putnam, who is the Christian Education director at Praise Assembly of God. The doctor told me firmly not to go outside when the weather is muggy, as my sugar counts were going up. I did not realize that the weather could affect the sugar counts like that, but we have others with diabetes and they were having trouble with theirs. One of our members was confined to bed because of it. Diabetes is a miserable disease, sometimes it seems as if it takes charge of your whole day as you try to juggle medication and your daily menu.

One has to be very disciplined, which is not one of my major gifts. One of the gifts of the Holy Spirit is self-control and when I asked the Lord why I didn't have it He told me that I had, I just didn't use it. Guess that told me I am very much a creature of impulse, which has often gotten me into trouble over the years. I think I once mentioned that Andy told me I had no concept of time and, at the time, I sort of snorted and thought that that was the pot calling the kettle black, but over these last five years he has been gone I have decided he actually wasn't far off the mark.

Chloe has declared war on flies which keeps her pretty busy. Brutus came to visit her last Wednesday afternoon and they had a very good time chasing each other through the house and playing tag of war with some of Chloe's stuffed toys. Debbie said that she and Owen had been gone a lot and now that they have lost

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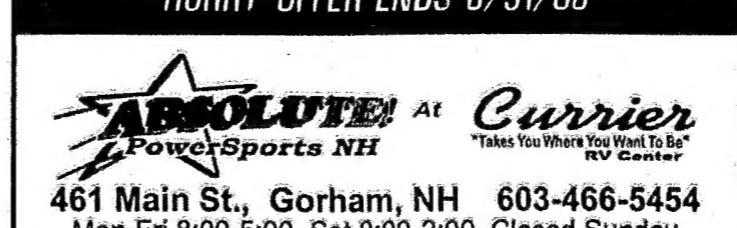
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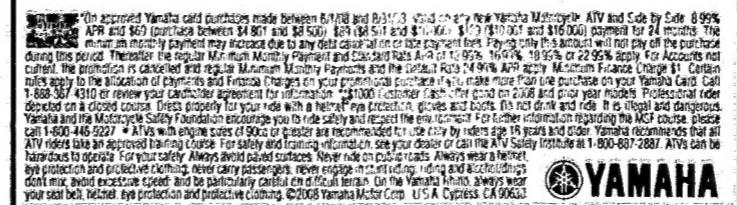
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see the other side of the coin, so to speak. And since I have been guilty of sort of criticizing the criticizer, I apologize if I have sounded too harsh. Above all, I want people to get along peacefully with one another since we have to share this planet. It may be a forlorn hope but I still pray for peace and it starts with me. Enjoy your week!

Albany



by Sheila Dyke

Greetings and hello from Albany Township. Boy! Did we get some weird weather last Tuesday or what! With the hail, and thunderstorms and drenching downpours of rain, it certainly made my birthday interesting, to say the least. The hail was almost the size of golf balls, just bouncing around on our front lawn. We are certainly appreciating all the rain we've been getting this past week. Oh sure, it makes cutting the lawn a bit difficult, but, it is helping with the gardens and wells.

Congratulations to our Albany 2008 Graduates from Telstar: Andrew Buck and Jonathan Sabins. Best of luck with all that life has to offer.

And our congratulations to Mary Harrington and Alex Graves on the birth of their daughter, Alison.

Best wishes for a happy and safe week.

Waterford



by Rockie Graham

"The times they are a changin'" — Bob Dylan These are strange and somewhat scary times we live in. The average person is worrying about paying bills, and more and more one hears fearful talk of next winter's heating bills. How will people cope?

Dave and I are fortunate we heat with wood. Need be, we could probably cut trees somewhere; friends have offered us theirs. Our trees are mostly pine, spruce, ash or just saplings — not good burning wood, but we know places we could cut trees if it came down to it.

Propane is another story. I'm pushing for solar hot water heating. It could save a few pennies. It is a scary situation. There are too many elderly and single parents in our community. I think that friend Gail has the right idea. People need to band together and might need to double up to save money this winter. To that end, we planted twice as much land, growing vegetables to freeze and can. We've been planting more fruit trees the past several years. We hope to have a few apples this year.

Most people we know have gardens if they are able. Others are raising chickens. We have some broilers, turkeys and laying hens. We look forward to eggs, roast chicken dinners and turkey meals.

Aside from that, more and more these days we feel the pull of the dinosaur dragging us from the realities of the day's electronic devises. I mean, what exactly is the infamous blackberry? We can't eat it. Can we use it in these dead cell phone towns? If not, what does one do with it in this town? And what exactly is an iPod and why would one spend \$200 on such an animal? That would buy a lot of food or chicken feed or 2-plus tanks of gas or one-half tank of propane. Yes, I guess I definitely am in dinosaur lands. It's not that I'm a miser, I'm just too frugal to spend that much on unnecessary items like that. My mother trained me well, I guess. I mean, I ask you mister, if times are hard (and they are), why spend money on electronic devices that will be outdated as they leave the store. What is the convenience that they offer? Do we need it? Do we get green stamps with it? These are the issues that

make me feel old. Father's Day was this past Sunday and David was glad to hear from all four children. He felt very good about that.

We stopped at Sallies today. Sad to say that they are closed. The partners couldn't agree on running it and Laurie pulled the lug. That is sad for this neighborhood. They employed a few of our neighbors and having a store we could walk to was a definite plus, especially when the road was impassable.

Our work on getting beer allowed back on the table in inns and restaurants paid off last week. The new owners at Bear Mountain Inn were granted a liquor license by the selectmen at their May 2 meeting. That means they can serve beer and wine at weddings and other events. They are not planning to have a bar/pub on the premises. Now they won't have to hire a caterer with an independent liquor license to serve alcoholic beverages at wedding and concerts.

Next Monday, the 23rd, the Lion's Club of Waterford/Stoneham and Albany is sponsoring a Red Cross blood drive. If interested in giving blood, contact the Red Cross directly or Lucia at 928-2062 to set up an appointment. Help is needed to run the drive. The drive will be at Waterford Memorial School 2 to 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 26, Mountain Poets is meeting for their last meeting before Poets On the Porch. Sign up then or at Poetsontheporch.com. Come Thursday and read and listen to poems. It is always an enjoyable night.

Am off to see if I can convince David we need to get a new ink cartridge for my printer. It doesn't recognize red/blue/green or purple. The only color it will print in is yellow. That is too light a color to have any pizzazz. The printer doesn't say it needs ink, it just doesn't print. How rude!

All else is quiet here. Hope all are well and remembering that this is the last week of school. Friday at noon it is all over for the summer.

From
Bethel Senior Citizens

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club met June 11 at Pleasant Valley Grange Hall in West Bethel for their meeting and luncheon with 22 members present. President Nancy Mercer conducted the meeting and led the salute to the flag. Reports were given by

Musa Brown and Arlene Lowell. The 50/50 raffle was won by John Applin and the door prize by Bette Gilbert.

July 9 is the date for the trip to Castle In The Clouds. The bus will leave the Bethel Area Health Center at 8 a.m. If any member wants to go and has not signed up, call Nancy at 824-3350 or Arlene at 824-2877 before July 7. The next stop will be Hart's Turkey Farm for lunch. Readings were done by Nancy Mercer, Barbara Mahler and Arlene Lowell.

The speaker was Maureen Libby from Sunday River Alpaca Farm on the Flat Road, West Bethel. Alpacas are the llama's small cousin, raised for thousands of years in South America for their soft, luxurious and colorful natural fiber.

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There are two Great Pyrenees, livestock guardian dogs, who guard the herd; their names are Barker and Aurora and they are happy to greet visitors at the farm. Visitors are always welcome but it might be good to call ahead.

June birthdays are: Nancy Driscoll, Doris Fraser, Caroline Welk, Edleen Winslow and Beverly Tuttle.

From
Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce

On Feb. 26, 2008, the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce completed another world-record effort, building a 122-foot-1-inch SnowWoman. WBLM radio, 102.9 Portland, with help from their listeners and guidance from the chamber, named her Olympia SnowWoman. Tens of thousands of people flocked to Bethel to see this amazing feat, and millions more viewed her on the webcam at www.bethelmainesnowwoman.com.

The chamber promptly completed the required paperwork but, due to the thousands of requests Guinness receives each month, the processing time has taken nearly 14 weeks.

On lucky Friday, the 13th of June, we finally received the official notification of a new record!

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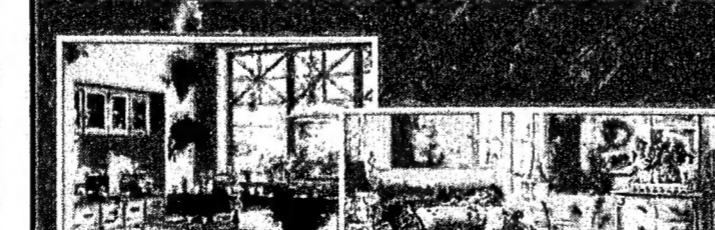
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First and Third Wednesdays 9 to 12 a.m. — **Veterans' Advocate** will be at Maine Veterans' Home, South Paris.

Wednesdays 6 to 7:30 p.m. — People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: call Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (all calls confidential).

Wednesday night — **TOPS**, take off pounds sensibly, meets at Bethel Alliance Church from 5:30 to 6 p.m. (weigh in) and meeting from 6 to 6:30 p.m. All welcome. FMI: call 824-3288.

Wednesdays at 9 a.m. — **Moving Freely Exercise class** at Andover Town Hall. FMI: call Pam Pace at 357-0308.

Wednesdays 10 to 11 a.m. — **T'ai Chi** at Ellie's Express and 5 to 6 p.m. at Bethel Family Health Center. Taught by Betsy Foster, MPH. To register, contact Betsy at 875-2426 or BSF@megalink.net.

Thru June — On display at McLaughlin Garden are first ever works of 19th century artist Carrie Tribou, mother of Rena Elizabeth Tribou McLaughlin, wife of garden founder Bernice McLaughlin.

Bethel Farmers Market every Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon thru Oct. 25, at Bethel Area Health Center parking lot, Railroad Street. Local produce, beef, pork, poultry, breads, doughnuts and pies, as well as cut flowers and goat cheese.

Bake Sale every Friday noon until sold out at United Methodist Church, Main Street, Bethel.

Thursday-Friday, June 19-22

Oxford Hills Music and Performing Arts Association presents "Almost, Maine" at the Grange Hall, Whitman Street, Norway. Performances: 8 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets: \$10 adults and \$8 for seniors/children under 12 on sale at Books N Things, Norway.

Saturday, June 21

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — **Friends and Family Day** at Gilead Town Hall. 10 a.m. Children's Parade with Bobo the Clown — Theme: "Historical Characters"; 10:30 a.m. Skillet Throwing Contest; Noon — music with The Sunrise Brass Quintet; 2 p.m. Historical Talk on Cemeteries.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — **Yard Sale** by Greenstock Snowsports at Lowell's Saw Shop parking lot (across from Telstar). No early birds. Rain date: June 22.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. — **Creature Catcher**, by Dana Johnson, who will use a dozen mounted specimens and answer questions about local furbearers, their habits and habitats and demonstrate and give advise on use of "hav-a-hart" and other live traps at Maine Wildlife Park, Gray. FMI: call 657-4977 or visit www.mainewildlife.com or www.mefishwildlife.com.

1 to 5 p.m. — **Celebration at Davis Park** for International Go Skateboarding Day. Music, a BBQ available, and some fun skating, biking and scootering. All welcome, so please stop by. Rain date is Sunday, June 22, 1 to 5 p.m.

5 p.m. — **Public Supper** at Alder River Grange Hall, 1895 Intervale Road. Menu: chicken potpie, potatoes, carrots, coleslaw, tossed salad, macaroni and cheese, rolls and gingerbread with whipped cream. Adults \$7; \$3 for under 13.

5 p.m. — **Chicken Pie Supper** at Bolster's Mills United Methodist Church. Menu: chicken pie, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, rolls, homemade dessert, beverages. Adults \$7 and \$3 for children under age 12. Handicap accessible, air-conditioned. 2nd seating: 6 p.m.; 3rd seating if needed. Reservations accepted Saturday 9 a.m.

to noon by confirmation (583-9024). Do not leave message.

The Jones Band will play old-fashioned dance music at South Paris Legion Hall, Polkas, waltzes, foxtrots, contra-dances, \$5.

8 p.m. — **Summer Solstice Old-Fashioned Barn Dance**, with potluck dinner (bring a dish to share) at 5 p.m. and concert at 7 p.m. at Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge in North Newry. Music by Buttermilk Hill Band. \$8 per person or \$20 for family. All dances are taught and everyone welcome. FMI: 824-2073.

Sunday, June 22

1 p.m. — **Woodstock ATV Riders** meeting at Waite residence, 534 Milton Road, Milton Twp., 2.5 miles from intersection of South Rumford Road. 2008 membership renewals may be brought to meeting or mailed. FMI: call Bill at 364-3275.

5 p.m. — **Oxford County Democrats Unity Rally and Spaghetti Supper**, American Legion Hall, Dixfield. Suggested donation \$5 at door. FMI: call 875-2116 or e-mail cathyn@megalink.net.

Monday, June 23

10 a.m. — **Essentials of College Planning**, a free workshop hosted by Maine Educational Opportunity Center at South Paris Career Center, 232 Main Street. FMI or to register: call (800) 281-3703.

12 noon — **13th annual Rotary Golf Challenge** at Bethel Inn Resort — title sponsors Norway Savings Bank and The Good Food Store. Proceeds go toward scholarships, local and worldwide services. 18-hole four-ball scramble starts at 12 noon with registration and luncheon followed by 1 p.m. shotgun start. Awards banquet will follow play. FMI or to sign up: call Bethel Inn Proshop at 824-6276 or call 824-5588.

2 to 7 p.m. — **Red Cross Blood Drive** sponsored by the Waterford/Stonham Lions Club at Waterford Memorial School, Route 35, Waterford. Call 928-2062 to make an appointment.

Wednesday, June 25

9 a.m. — **In a Heartbeat-Heart Attack Awareness**, free presentation sponsored by Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, at Bethel Inn & Country Club Gibson Room. Refreshments served. FMI and to register: call 743-1562-Ext. 472.

8 p.m. — **At Deertrees Theatre & Cultural Center**, Harrison: "In Good Spirits" by Howard Odentz, a musical comedy about ghosts, an old theatre, and a small town in Maine, a zany original that could almost have been written about Deertrees itself. Matinees Saturday and Sunday, June 28-29. Tickets: \$14 for adults and \$9 for students available at Books N Things, Bethel; The Cool Moose, Bridgton; The Country Sleigh, Naples; and Fare Share, Norway. FMI: call 583-6747 or e-mail deertreestheatre@usa.net. The website is www.deertreestheatre.org.

Thursday, June 26

7 p.m. — **The Road Show** featuring Mike Miclon of Oddfellow Theater in Buckfield and Mike Vayda at The Brick Church for the Performing Arts on Christian Hill Road, just off Route 5 in Lovell. Tickets at the door: \$10 adult, \$5 children under 12, \$25 family. FMI: call 650-3978.

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Friday, June 27

10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. — **TRIAD Senior Appreciation Day Picnic** at Fryeburg Fair Grounds. Admission is free. Come and help us celebrate our Oxford County Senior Citizens. FMI: call Linda Hooker at 743-9554 ext 4.

2:30 — **Snow White and the Red Rose**, a children's theater performance presented by North Country Center for the Arts Paper Mill theater and Helping Hands Volunteer Organization at Chapel of Arts on Glenn Road, Gorham, N.H. Cost: \$5 available at Gorham Town Hall, Gorham Information Booth, Wonderland Bookstore and Berlin Recreation Dept or by calling (603) 466-3322. Remaining tickets sold at door starting at 2 p.m.

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Friday-Sunday, June 27-29

8 a.m. to 4 p.m. — **Girls' Softball Clinic** at Telstar Regional High School, conducted by Higher Ground Softball (www.highergroundsoftball.com). Fees: \$160 includes 3-day clinic fee and T-shirt. Make checks or money orders payable to Mary or Jim Merrill, PO 761, Bethel, ME 04212. Phone: 836-2410, e-mail skisks@yahoo.com.

Saturday, June 28

8 a.m. — **Bethel Rotary Club annual Auction and Yard Sale**. Auction preview at 5:30 p.m. and auction starts at 6:30 p.m. Large collection of used doors and windows this year. Call 875-2364 for pickup of items to donate.

8 a.m. to 2 p.m. — **Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market** at the American Legion Hall, Gore Road, Locke Mills. Tables: \$10 each. Vendors welcome. Contact Jamie Hastings at 674-2540. Proceeds will benefit the Shriner's Children's Hospital in Boston. A special project of the American Legion Auxiliary.

8 a.m. to 2 p.m. — **Help Extend the Bethel Pathway** — 10 volunteers needed to help clear brush and rough out the trail from North Road to the Good Food Store. Lunch provided. FMI: contact Andy at jae13@cornell.edu or (617) 970-5104 to volunteer.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — **Chinese Auction/Yard Sale**, fundraiser for Waterford World's Fair on Waterford Fair Grounds (Green Road off Route 35 across from Melby's Market). Preview 11 a.m., and auction 1 p.m. Yard Sale 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hot dogs, hamburgers, ice cream cones to purchase. Saddle Horse Show/steer pulling demo at 9 a.m. Visit www.nwwf08.org for contact numbers if interested in taking part in any of the above livestock events. FMI or to register, call 583-4146 or www.nwwf08.org and register by email.

11 a.m. to 2 p.m. — **Chainsaw Art** with Ron

American Life in Poetry

Selection and comments by Ted Kooser, U.S. Poet Laureate 2004-2006

So often, reading a poem can in itself feel like a thing overheard. Here, Mary-Sherman Willis of Virginia describes the feeling of being stilled by conversation, in this case barely audible and nearly indecipherable.

The Laughter of Women

From over the wall I could hear
the laughter of women
in a foreign tongue, in the sun-rinsed air
of the city.

They sat (so I thought) perfumed
in their hats and their silks,

in chairs on the grass amid flowers
glowing and swaying.

One spoke and the others rang like bells
oh so witty,
like bells till the sound filled up the garden
and lifted

like bubbles spilling over the bricks
that enclosed them,
their happiness holding them,
even if just for the moment.
Although I did not understand a word
they were saying,

their sound surrounded me,
fell on my shoulders and hair,
and burst on my cheeks like kisses,
and continued to fall,
holding me there where I stood
on the sidewalk listening.

As I could not move, I had to hear
them grow silent,
and adjust myself to the clouds
and the cooling air.

The murmur of thunder rumbled
out of the wall
and the smacking of drops
as the rain fell everywhere.

Carlson at Maine Wildlife Park, Gray, FMI: call 657-4977 or visit www.mainewildlife.com or www.mefishwildlife.com.

8 p.m. — **Celebration Barn Theater**, will feature Michael Menes performing juggling, skillful acts of balance and physical illusions. The theater is located on Stock Farm Road, just off Route 117, South Paris. Doors open 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and \$8 for students. Reservations are recommended and can be made by calling the box office at 743-8452.

It's always wise to call ahead

Listings in The Citizen's weekly Community Calendar are compiled from a wide variety of sources. While we do our utmost to ensure the reliability of the information presented here, we recognize that when dealing with such a large volume of material, some inaccuracies will occasionally creep in. And in other cases, a sponsoring organization's plans may change between the time The Citizen is printed and the event is held. Accordingly, we strongly urge our readers to call ahead to verify the details of any event they plan to attend. Doing so will greatly reduce the chance of disappointment or needless inconvenience.

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Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church Rev. Jane Rich, Sunday morning worship 10 a.m. followed by coffee fellowship. All are welcome. FMI: 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff. Sunday School 9:30am; Morning worship 10:45am; Wednesday prayer meeting 6:30pm RT 5, Andover 392-1121.

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Bethel Alliance Church - Rev. Kevin Bellinger. Sundays: Sunday School for adults and children at 9 a.m.; Morning worship service at 10 a.m.; Kidz Klub (4 yrs-5th grade) at 5:30 p.m.; Prayer fellowship Wednesdays at 7 p.m. Sundays: Youth Group (6th-12th grade) at 5:30 p.m. For more information call 824-2289.

Church of the Nazarene - Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 am. Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. morning worship. Wednesday evening service in different locations. Call for info. 824-4023 (voice mail) or 824-7289 FMI.

West Parish Congregational - Rev. Virginia Rickeman. 10 a.m. worship, child care available. Prayer, Tuesday, 8 a.m. FMI call 824-4050.

Our Lady of the Snows Saturday mass at 6 p.m. Rev. Angelo Levesque. 364-4556.

United Methodist - Geoffrey Gross, Pastor. 10:30 a.m. Sunday worship. Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.

West Bethel Union - Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. For information, call 826-3533 or 826-2882. Rev. John Williams.

Pleasant Valley Bible - Pastor Aaron McNally. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m., all ages; Morning Worship 10 a.m.; Junior church and nursery available. Men's bible study Monday at 7 p.m

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**From
Bethel Historical
Society's Regional
History Center**

As the summer begins to come into full swing, three summer events are on the horizon of the Bethel Historical Society, which require sponsors. Between \$3,500 to \$4,000 is needed this year for three events, the 4th of July Community Picnic, the Ripley Brass Band Festival on July 26 and Sudbury Canada Days on Aug. 8-10.

The Community Picnic features a two-hour brass band concert by the Portland Brass Quintet, which has been playing each Fourth of July on the grounds of the Dr. Moses Mason House or at the Middle Intervale Meetinghouse since 1993.

The Ripley Brass Band Festival will include music of Oxford County's own Winfield Scott Ripley and feature five brass bands, the Gilford Band (N.H.), the Newton Band (Vt.), the Centennial Brass Band (Maine), the Mahoosuc Band (Maine) and the Yankee Brass Band on July 26.

Sudbury Canada Days, the society's summer heritage festival, features 18th century re-enactors along with a host of other activities during the three-day event.

Sponsors for one or more of these events are being sought and more than half the necessary funds have already been raised or allocated. Among the sponsors already listed are the following: Kenneth and Gwyneth Bohr, Bethel; William and Deborah Andrews, Newry; Hi and Mary Lou Berry, Newry; Mike Brown, Bethel; Rosemary S. Bunn, Bethel; Walt and Carol Hatch, Bethel; Alden and Mabel Kennett, Bethel; Nancy H. Mercer, Bethel; Eric and Lucia Schwarz, Bethel; Henry and Pat Stewart, Bryant Pond; Wilder K. and Alice M. Abbott, Bethel; Marjorie Brandriss/David Kristol, Summit, N.J.; Virginia Cole, Bethel; C.P. Longley, Albany Township; Jack and Lucy Nordahl, Bethel; Marvin and Tineke Ouwinga, Bethel; Sally and Dick Taylor, Bethel; Peggy and Steve Wight, Newry; Bessie Bennett, Bethel; Jane Hosterman, West Bethel; Thomas H. Mitchell, Culver City, Calif. Much appreciation

is expressed to all of the above for their generous support. Anyone wishing to make a tax-deductible gift in any amount is urged to send it to the society at P.O. Box 12, Bethel, ME 04217.

Noted Author Neil Rolde

Noted author Neil Rolde of York, author of ten books, including "Unsettled Past," "The Interrupted Future," "The Baxter's of Maine" and "An Illustrated History of Maine," was the featured speaker at the spring lecture in the 2008 Bethel Historical Society Series, "Maine History: Varied and Vivid" on June 12 in the exhibit hall of the Dr. Moses Mason House.

Rolde's topic was "The Enigma of James G. Blaine" and his appearance was made possible in part by a grant from the Maine Humanities Council.

Rolde served as an assistant to Governor Curtis and as a member of the Maine House of Representatives for 16 years. He received his undergraduate education at Yale and earned a master's degree from the Columbian University School of Journalism. He is the recipient of the Neal W.

Allen Award for "outstanding contributions in the field of Maine history and genealogy" from the Maine Historical Society. In 2005, he received the Constance H. Carlson Public Humanities Prize from the Maine Humanities Council for Extraordinary Contributions to the Interpretations of Maine History and his Encouragement of the Humanities in Maine.

His interest in Blaine developed from his years of serving Governor Curtis and spending time at the Blaine House, home of Maine governors since Carl Milliken moved there shortly after World War I. This experience led him to complete a biography of Blaine last year, which is entitled: "Continental Liar from the State of Maine: James G. Blaine." Rolde observed that Blaine never served Maine as governor. In the public mind, Rolde asserted, his name has been associated with Maine gubernatorial officeholders since 1919 when his former home became the official residence of Maine governors. This association with Maine governors was a 20th century phenomenon occurring long after Blaine's death in 1893.

**From
Andover
Education Fund**

This is a reminder that if you have not done so, applications for the Cutting Endowment are due by July 1 for August disbursement.

Should you need assistance or an application form, see or phone Sharon Hutchins at 392-4351. This \$2,500 scholarship is awarded once a year and we hope to hear from you.

**From
Waterford
World's Fair**

Waterford World's Fair, 2007 Most Improved Small Agricultural Fair, is entering upon another fair season. The World's Fair will run from July 18-20. Livestock shows and contests that will be taking place will be: miniature horse show, draft horse show, saddle horse show, steer/ox show, ox pulls and horse pulls. Livestock demonstrations will include: llamas, rabbits, steer, goats, sheep and horses.

There will be pig scrambles and scarecrow-making contest. Other demonstrations

and displays will include: fiber arts, solar tractor, antique tractors and engines, working dogs, and woodsmen/logging, Rod & Kustom Kruisers will drive in with their vehicles and Imari & Sahara Desert Dancers will perform. There will be baking contests for apple and blueberry pies, chocolate chip cookies and whoopie pies and a potato salad stir off.

Thanks to Norway Savings Bank, Waterman Farm Machinery and Hall Implement, there will be a peddle tractor pull. Other contests are: He Man, Wee Man, Couch Potato, Ladies Skillet Throw and Karaoke. The Saturday night highlight will be a Community Variety Show to showcase local talent. To participate in the Karaoke and the Variety Show we ask that you please pre-register by calling 583-5256. We are looking for local musicians, fiddlers, banjo/guitar players or any others who would be interested in performing on Sunday, July 20 in the afternoon. Please call the number above. Volunteers are needed to help with assorted events and activities. Please call Dottie at the number above to volunteer.

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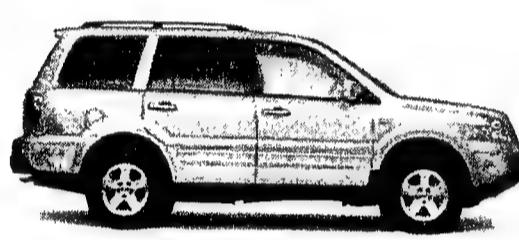
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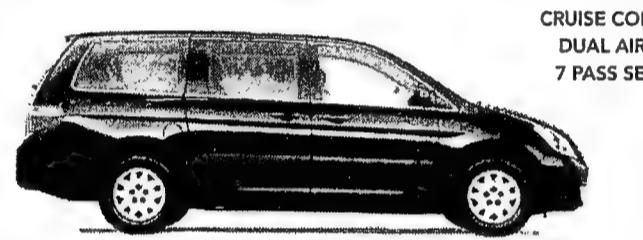
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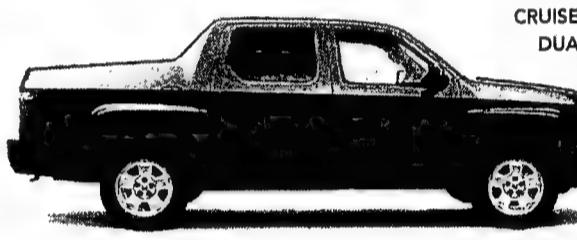
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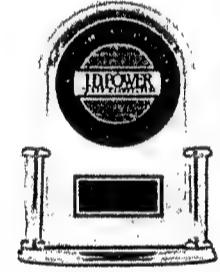
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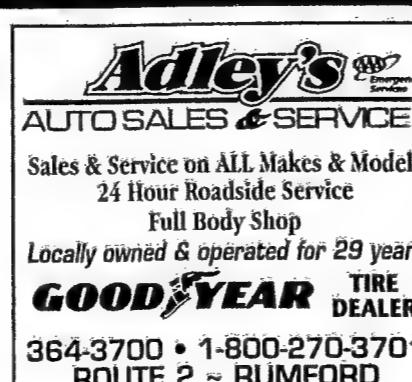
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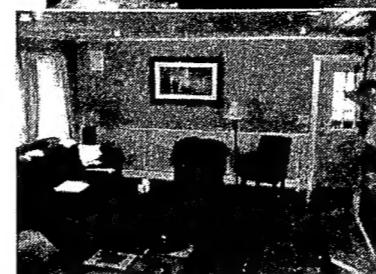
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274 Douglass Rd, Newry: Spectacular custom-built log home in the Powder Ridge neighborhood, with panoramic views of Sunday River's slopes. Features include 2 fireplaces, master suite, hot tub, finished daylight basement, and attached 3-car garage. \$1,045,000



42 Goose Eye Drive, Newry: Spacious home with stunning views overlooking the golf course at the Sunday River Golf Club. 3-bay heated garage, separate guest quarters, large master suite, custom cabinetry, lovely sunroom. Lifetime family membership to the golf club. \$849,000



9 Vista Lane, Newry: Fabulous building package by highly regarded local builder. 5-BR/3.5-bath, open floor plan, vaulted ceilings. Great views of Sunday River. Close to hiking, golf, and snowmobile trails. The Peaks Subdivision. (Representative Photo) \$599,000



36 Mtn. Valley Rd, Bethel: Stunning, contemporary house with 3-BR and 2.5 baths. Living quarters on the top level take full advantage of the views. Wrap-around deck, open floor plan, and many windows truly bring the outdoors in. \$449,000



NEW PRICE!
NEW PRICE! 232 Mayville Rd, Bethel: Twitchell Brook Estates. Sunny end unit with heated garage, 3 beds and 2.5 baths. 2,000 sq. feet, granite throughout, tile, hardwood, gas fireplace. Many upgrades and convenient location between Bethel village and Sunday River. \$299,000



31 Riverwood Drive, Newry: Cozy cabin in the woods with over 350/- feet of Bear River frontage and beautiful views! 3-BR/2-bath has fully equipped kitchen with tiled floors, towering stone fireplace, cathedral ceilings, loft area, porch, deck and gazebo. \$419,900



Homes at Bear River: Well-built homes in a 4-acre subdivision with 260+ feet of private frontage on the Bear River, less than 10 minutes from Grafton Notch State Park and Sunday River. \$369,000 and \$389,000. Other building packages available - \$249,000.



Sunday River Rd, Bethel: Unit 53 Riverbed Condominiums - Beautiful 1-bedroom, custom-finished end unit with post & beam ceilings, wood floors, granite counters, custom cabinets, washer/dryer in unit, covered porch and deck. \$165,000

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Snowbird Lane, Powder Ridge: Lot 66. Spectacular views of Sunday River's 8 peaks. Easy access on culdesac, conservation land in front for protected views. \$189,000

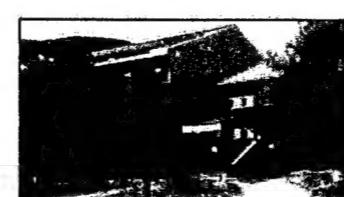
Powder Ridge, Newry: Lot 92. Beautiful 1.13 +/- acre lot in exclusive Powder Ridge subdivision just minutes from Sunday River's world-class skiing & golf. \$87,900

Birch Woods, Bethel: Lot 24. Level 2.1-acre lot in beautiful neighborhood. Large building envelope w/potential mtn views and plenty of privacy. \$96,800

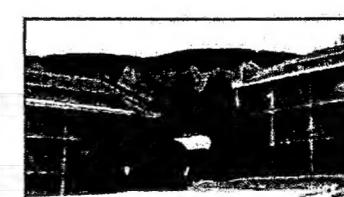
NEW PRICE Moody Mtn. Rd, Woodstock: 14.8-acre lot with westerly views and privacy. Gently sloping with mix of hardwoods & evergreens. Perfect spot for dream home. \$99,000

God's Gift Rd, Songo Pond: Private, waterfront lot. Just under 2 acres. Comes with dock. Power onsite. Build your dream home. Water ski in the summer and ski at Sunday River - just 10 minutes away. \$159,000

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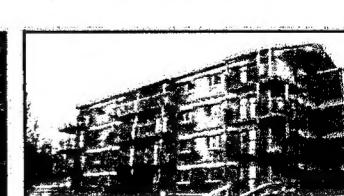
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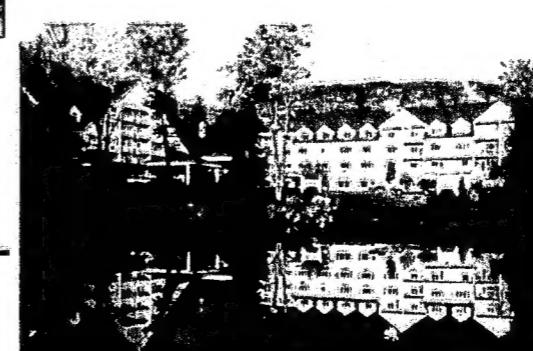


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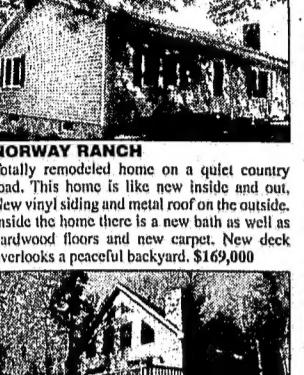
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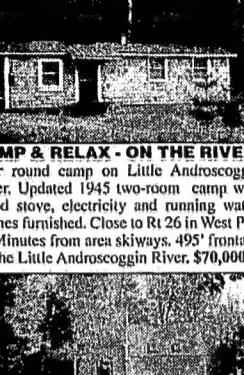
ANDOVER - NEW CUSTOM BUILT
Custom built three bedroom home with beautiful western views. Two car garage with attached office and bath. Open living space with cathedral ceiling and expansive windows. Large deck w hot-tub. Near ITS snowmobile trail, Appalachian Trail, Richardson Lake \$225,000

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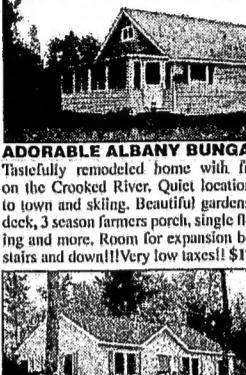
NORWAY RANCH
Totally remodeled home on a quiet country road. This home is like new inside and out. New vinyl siding and metal roof on the outside. Inside the home there is a new bath as well as hardwood floors and new carpet. New deck overlooking a peaceful backyard. \$169,000

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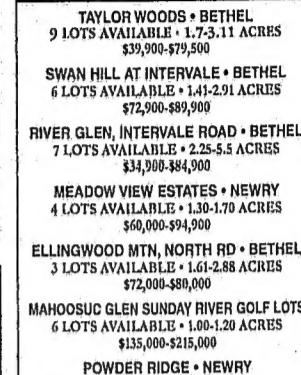
Spacious 4+ bedroom, 3 bath home with an inviting floor plan, gourmet kitchen, dining room, large sunroom over 2 car garage, screened in porch, all with beautiful mountain views - desirable Paradise location \$229,000

BOAT & SKI!!



This four season home is located on beautiful North Pond and has ski resort views. Boat under bridges for access to North and South Pond. Fully decked. Completely renovated, new second floor bath, new sun porch and hardwood floors. \$229,000

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Intervale Rd: 28.8 acres	\$225,000
Taylor Smith Road, views, 3 acres	\$150,000
Waterford: 100 acres	\$149,000
Norway, lake & mtn. views, 14 acres	\$139,000
Baker's Acres Lot: 1.53 acres	\$129,000
Mountain Valley Subdivision: 1.47 acres	\$129,000
Bear River Rd, scenic view, wooded .32 acres	\$129,000
Red House Farm Village: .06 acres	\$115,000
Red House Farm Village: .250 acres	\$110,000
Albany: .05 acres	\$100,000
Mountain View Rd: Newry 7.5 acres, lot 44-1st	\$99,000
Webb River Waterfront Lot: 8.9 acres	\$98,000
Sunday River Rd, existing well & septic, 1 acre	\$95,000
Norway, fantastic views, 6 acres	\$89,000
Will View Subdivision: 1.8 acres, BEST LOT!	\$84,000
South Pond Shores: 5.170 acres	SOLD
Paradise Rd., in town building lot .50 acre	\$80,000
Taylor Woods Riverfront Lot: 1.7 acres	\$79,500
River Valley Acres: .60 acres	\$69,000
Near North Pond: .93 acres	\$59,000
Bird Hill Road: 2.84 acres	\$57,000
Bird Hill Lot: 12 acres	\$50,000
Intervale Road: 1.5 acres	\$48,000
Rocky Road, Woodstock: .96 acres	\$39,000
Hidden Acres, West Paris, 2 acres	\$24,000

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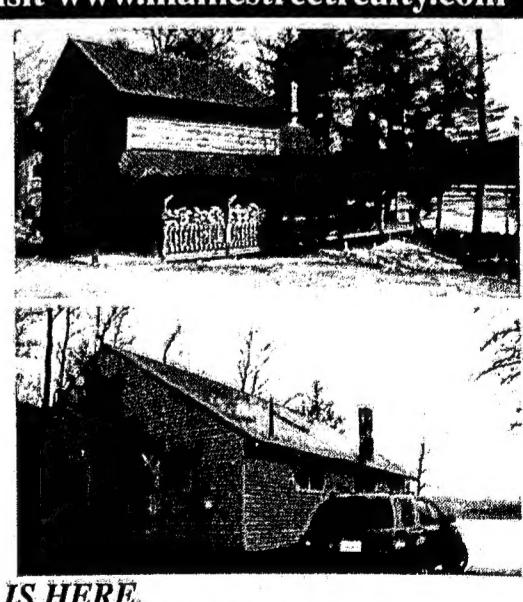
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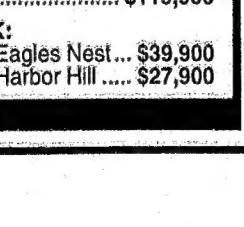
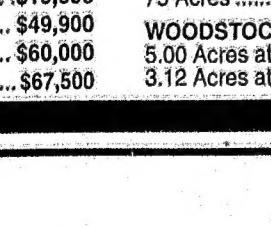
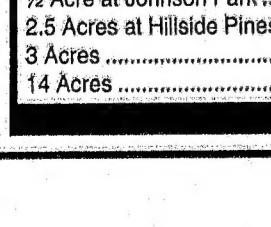
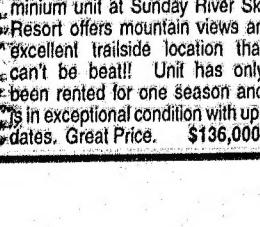
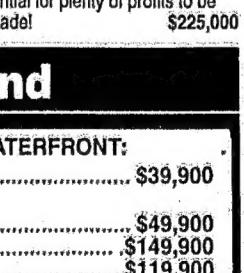
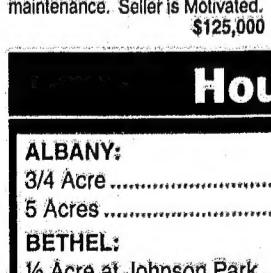
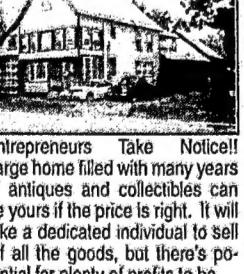
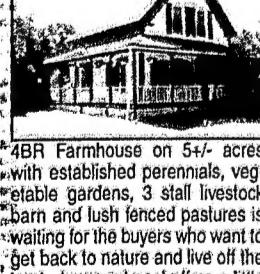
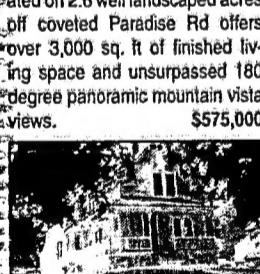
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Obituaries

RICHARD J. BENNETT

Richard James Bennett passed away at Stephens Memorial Hospital on June 10, 2008 after several months of failing health.

He was born on Dec. 4, 1941 in Berlin, N.H., to Jean and Gordon Bennett. He was raised by his grandparents, Harold and Annie Nutting of Bethel, Maine. He graduated from Gould Academy in 1961 and the University of Maine in 1965, with a degree in Animal Science. He went into the Air Force in 1966 where he became a medical laboratory technician.

He and his family moved back to Maine in the summer of 1969. He continued working as a laboratory technician at Saint Joseph Hospital in Bangor and James A. Taylor Osteopathic Hospital also in Bangor. The family moved back to Albany, Maine, where he made a lifelong home and became the Chief Laboratory Technician at Bridgton Hospital until his retirement in 1994.

He then cut wood, worked in snow-making at Sunday River Ski Resort, and started a perennial plant and organic gardening business. He sold plants and vegetables at the Bethel and Norway Farmers Markets until failing health made it impossible to continue.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Kathleen Twitchell Bennett of Albany; son, David Bennett and his ex-wife Jackie and his grandson Marcus; son, Daniel Bennett and his wife Heidi and two grandsons Tristan and Carter of New Hampshire; son, Douglas Bennett and his wife Jennifer and granddaughter Isabella of East Bethel; mother, Jean Smith of Oxford; sister, Diana Smith and her husband Stuart of Oxford; uncle, Russell Nutting and his wife Darlene of Limerick; and many brothers, sisters, nieces and nephews.

A celebration of his life will be held at K-D Acres later in the summer.

Memorials in Richard's memory are suggested to the Albany Scholarship Fund, c/o Jeff Barton, 66 Barton Road, Albany Twp. 04217.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.andrewsgreenleaf.com.

WILLIAM H. SIMMONS

Mr. William H. Simmons, 59, died Sunday, June 15, 2008 at his home on Thistle Street in Upton after a long battle with cancer.

Born in Rumford, Maine on May 7, 1949 he was a son of the late William and F. Grace (Roberts) Simmons, Jr. He graduated from Andover High School with the Class of 1967. He worked for Pratt & Whitney and Manchester Bus Co. in Connecticut. He returned to Andover in 1973. He worked in the woods for many years for Robert Akers and Percival Logging.

He loved playing his guitar, family gatherings, reading, western books and watching westerns on TV, gardening and his black lab, Bernard.

He is survived by two sons, William A. Simmons and Gregory Simmons and their mother, Barbara Simmons all of Andover; his companion, Patricia Kenyon of Upton; sisters, Jeannette Hutchins and her husband Arthur of Andover; brother, Stephen Simmons and his wife Cynthia of East Andover; three grandchildren, Keri Standeven of West Bethel, William T. (Buddy) Simmons of Mexico, Isabella Simmons of Andover; many aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews.

Graveside services were held Wednesday, June 18, at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Andover with The Rev. Jane C. Rich officiating. Those who desire may contribute to the Oncology Dept., c/o Rumford Hospital, 430 Franklin Street, Rumford, ME 04276 in his memory. E-mail condolences and shared memories may be expressed at meaderfh@gwi.net.

JAMES L. CORDWELL JR.

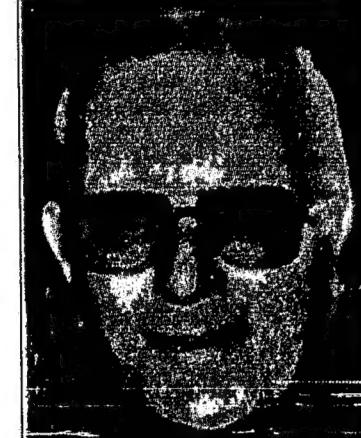
James L. Cordwell Jr., 55, of South Paris died Sunday, June 15, 2008 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway.

He was born in Lewiston, on June 27, 1952, the son of J.L. Cordwell Sr. and Arlene Buier Cordwell Plummer. He attended schools in Oxford and had been a house painter for many years, working for Chuck Bonney and Rick Cummings. He was later employed at Keiser Homes and Burlington Homes.

He jumped railroad cars through every state except Alaska and Hawaii. He enjoyed football, camping, fishing, horseshoes and hanging out with his grandchildren. He loved visits from his children and he had a great sense of humor. He always remained friends with his ex-wives.

He is survived by his mother of South Paris; his life-long partner, Darlene Paine of South Paris; sons, Kenneth and James III, both of South Portland; daughter, Jeannie of South Windham; sons, Jason Moxey and Justin Cordwell, both of Old Orchard Beach; daughter, Heather Cordwell of Portland; son, Antonio Cerato of South Paris; daughter, Crystal Hammer of South Paris; 12 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; four sisters, Nancy Cordwell of Alabama, Jean Pulkkinen of Bridgton, Sally Haley of Porter and Constance Cordwell of California; two brothers, Mitchell Plummer of Windham and Stanley Cordwell of Bethel; and nephews, Willard Pulkkinen, Kalili Pulkkinen and Sean Moxey. He was predeceased by a brother, Michael Cordwell.

Family and friends may attend visiting hours on Thursday, June 19 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Weston-Chandler Funeral Home, 230 Main Street, Norway. Graveside services will be held on Saturday, June 21, at 2 p.m. at Norway Pine Grove Cemetery in South Paris. Donations may be made to his family, c/o Weston-Chandler Funeral Home. Online condolences may be shared with his family at www.westonchandler.com.



J. RICHARD LITTLEFIELD

Richard Littlefield, 73, of Bethel, died peacefully in the comfort of his home, surrounded by his family, on Monday, June 16, 2008.

Dick was born Nov. 30, 1934 in Boston, Mass., to Lyman and Laura Johnson Littlefield. He became a ward of the State of Maine at a very early age and lived in several foster

homes. The happiest years of his childhood were spent with foster parents Warren and Eleanor (Lyon) Bean of Bethel. He lived with them from age 9 to adulthood. He not only enjoyed his life with them and their extended families — he gained experience working with Warren and his brother, Richard, in their plumbing business.

He attended Gould Academy, Bethel and left school as a sophomore to join the Army, serving from 1952-1955. Dick proudly served his country in Korea. He returned to Bethel to marry his grammar school sweetheart, Nesta Gordon, on Jan. 29, 1955 and together they raised five children. Dick and his young family went to New Jersey to work for the Ford Motor Company.

Dick returned to Maine in 1962 to begin a plumbing and heating career that would sustain him and his family for the rest of his life. He worked first with Benedict Brothers, Rumford, as an apprentice, building on skills first learned with Warren and Richard Bean. Several years later, he got employment with Brooks Brothers Inc. in Bethel. He left Brooks Brothers to start his own successful business in 1969. Dick was well known throughout the state for his expertise as an oil burner technician.

He served the Bethel Fire Department as a volunteer through the '60s and became a member of Bethel Masonic Lodge No. 97 A.M. & F.M. in the early '70s. He was Worthy Patron for Purity Chapter 102, O.E.S. for several years and he later joined Mt. Zircon Chapter No. 142 Order of the Eastern Star, Grand Chapter of Maine. He was a member of the Kora Temple, Oxford County Shrine Club, and Kora Temple Funsters.

A long-time member of the American Legion, Dick was chosen as a Post Commander of Jackson-Silver Post No. 68, Locke Mills, and upon his death was serving as First Vice Commander of the American Legion Mundt-Allen Post No. 81.

Dick earned his high school diploma in 1988 through the Adult Ed program at Telstar Regional High, an achievement his family is very proud of.

As a former foster child, Dick developed an interest in his birth family and he and Nesta worked together to discover a younger brother, George G. Newman, Michigan in 1964. The brothers es-

tablished a strong, brotherly bond that lasted until George's death in 2000. In 1998, Dick discovered yet another brother, John Brown, Skowhegan and a sister, Doris Harmon, living in Arizona. He quickly connected with these siblings and their children and loved their visits.

For Dick, family was everything. All his life, he nurtured the family that he'd created and the family he discovered. He worked hard to provide a very special place to raise his children.

He gave unconditional love to his family. Friends and customers will testify to Dick's loyalty, honesty, quick (and wicked!) wit, strong work ethic and skill. He was kind, compassionate, and generous with both his time and his resources.

He loved to hunt and he loved his apple orchard. His retirement years were spent building and tending Littlefield's Orchard.

He is survived by his wife, Nesta Littlefield, Bethel; two sons, Randal J. Littlefield and wife Maribeth of Monkton, Md.; Richard R. Littlefield, Bethel; three daughters, Cathy Hoy and husband Lenny, Greenwood; Lauri Degen and husband Scott, Bethel; Sharon Littlefield and partner Gary Schneider and his son Stephen, Madison, N.H.; seven grandchildren, Christopher Littlefield, Baltimore, Md.; Scott Morse and wife Joanna, Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada; Jessica Reichenbach and husband Josh, Jacksonville, Fla.; Michael Hoy and wife Megan, Jacksonville, Fla.; Anna Littlefield, Monkton, Md.; Alecia Littlefield and Samuel Littlefield, both of Bangor; two great-grandchildren, Xander and Peyton Reichenbach, Jacksonville, Fla.; and many nieces and nephews.

Visiting hours will be held at the Greenleaf Funeral Home, 37 Vernon Street, Bethel on Friday evening, June 10, 6 to 8 p.m.

Funeral services will be held at the Bethel Alliance Church, Walkers Mills Road, Bethel on Saturday at 10 a.m. with Kevin Bellinger and John Williams officiating. Burial will be in the Flat Road Cemetery, West Bethel.

The family suggests memorials in Richard's memory be sent to SAD44, c/o Wendy Hanscom, 284 Walkers Mills Road, Bethel, ME 04217.

Online condolences may be left for the family at www.andrewsgreenleaf.com.

DONALD D. KIMBALL

Donald D. Kimball, 85, of Rumford, died Tuesday, June 17, 2008 at the Maine Veterans' Home, South Paris.

He was born in East Bethel, on Aug. 23, 1922, the son of Ceylon M. and Doris Davis Kimball. He attended local schools and entered the U.S. Army on Dec. 26, 1942. He served with the 3278th Ordnance Depot until December 1944, then was with the 99th Infantry Division in Germany.

He married G. Joan Davis of Locke Mills. He was discharged from the service in November 1945. He farmed until 1959, then operated a service station and small engine business in Dixfield until 1986.

During the 1970s, he got a private pilot's license and had his own plane. He belonged to the Civil Air Patrol and flew several search and rescue missions.

He is survived by his wife of Rumford; two sons, Peter and wife Kathy of Hudson, Mich., and Kenneth and companion Brenda of Rumford; three grandchildren, Peter Jr., Jason and Jessica; three great-grandchildren, Ericka, Brooke and Jacob; a brother, Richard of East Bethel; two sisters, Isabel Boyce of Norway and Adella Springer of North Richland Hills, Texas; and several nieces and nephews. He was predeceased by his parents; and a brother, C. Mellen Kimball of Locke Mills.

A memorial service will be held on Thursday, June 19, at 2 p.m. with a time of visitation from 1 to 2 at Weston-Chandler Funeral Home, 45 Main Street, South Paris. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Maine Veterans' Home, "B" Unit Activity Fund, 477 High Street, South Paris, ME 04281, or the Greenwood Historical Society, P.O. Box 141, Greenwood, ME 04255. Online condolences may be shared with his family at www.weston-chandler.com.

Births

Nathan and Kate Wight of Bolsters Mills are excited to announce the arrival of their daughter, Addison Ruth Wight, born Jan. 15, 2008 in Portland, weighing 3 pounds, 5 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are George and Danna Nickerson of Bethel. Maternal great-grandmother is Arlene Brown of Bethel.

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